
[SPORTING RECORD]

CORBETT, A STAGE MANAGER AND A WHISTLE.

The Later Two Fall to Connect of Time and a Connection Takes Place with the Other.

ORLANDO BATTAGLIA SLUGGED THROWS PENNIES BY THE PUGILIST UPON THE WORLD.

Nilsen Defeats Letts in a Skating Match—Fifty-two-hundred-mile Walk—Dan Flanagan Dying.—The Duffy Inquest.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

DETROIT, Jan. 7.—James J. Corbett thrashed his stage manager, Orlando Battaglia, who is about five feet tall. He was fined by police Justice Sellers and paid his fine.

The cue to Corbett's love scene in the third act depends on the blowing of a team whistle. Stage Manager Battaglia informed Corbett that the comedian's whistle could not be made ready and they would be obliged to depend on a mouth-piece whistle owned by the house. Corbett's cue came a few seconds too late, and when the curtain came down "Gentleman James" made straight for Battaglia and, seizing him by the shoulder, raised him from the floor and shook the breath out of the stage manager's body.

"That Jane dooty," came the little fellow on the floor, gave him a smash with the left alongside the head and, sending out his right, sent him into the air. The little stage manager landed on his back a dozen feet away. Corbett refused to prosecute Battaglia the two day salary due and the stage manager is left penniless.

IT WAS EXCITEMENT.

Duffy Was Not Killed by the Blow of Justice.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The jury in the Duffy case rendered a verdict today (Jan. 6) that George W. Justice, pugilist, at the 4th of January, 1897, in the St. Vincent hospital, by meningeal hemorrhage, superinduced January 2, 1897, a fatal result, and that he was excited following a boxing exhibition with George W. Justice, and accelerated by hyperemia of the brain, and that the defendant had no blame the said club Thomas O'Rourke, manager; Richard Roche, referee, and George W. Justice pugilist.

It added: "We recommend that every regularly-organized athletic club or institution be compelled by law to have a reputable and competent physician or surgeon on hand to examine all would-be participants in proposed boxing exhibitions."

Skating at the Ice Palace.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The first of a series of three skating races at the Ice Palace Rink between Nilsen of Minneapolis and Letts of Hoboken were skated from Hoboken being half a lap behind at the finish. The winner's time for one mile was 3m. 38., and for two miles 7m. 40. The distance was twenty miles.

Tonight and Friday night they will skate four times each, racing twice and five miles respectively.

Fifty-two-hundred-mile Walk.

BELLEVILLE (Ont.), Jan. 7.—D. Clark, a Canadian, who has been reported here on foot en route to Boston, began his long walk on a wage of \$3000 that he would walk from Aberystwyth to Boston, England, within a period of 6 months and 15 days. He started July 14 and must be in Boston by January 29.

At 10 o'clock yesterday he was seen walking twenty miles a day he can win the wager.

Dan Flanagan Dying.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Dan Flanagan, the prizefighter who was stricken with paralysis after a battle with William Kattell, is lying at Carthage Land Hospital. He is suffering with concussion of the brain and spinal column.

Races Which are.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The special to the World from Chicago says the Michael Linton series of races is off. Michael left Chicago today, and will sail on Saturday next for England. Michael says he will return as soon as possible to take up Linton's challenge.

SENATOR-ELECT MONEY.

He Returns from Cuba—Saw Weyles But No Fighting.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

TAMPA (Fla.), Jan. 7.—Senator-elect Money of Mississippi arrived tonight from Cuba, and soon afterward left for Washington. He refused to talk on the issues of the Cuban war. He said, however, that he was accorded every courtesy by Gen. Weyles, whom he met at the palace. He went out twenty miles to the southwest of Havana, where he stayed two days. He saw no fighting, but passed many Spanish soldiers.

The President-elect.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 7.—President-elect and Mrs. McKinley remained at Windemere until this afternoon, when they left for Cleveland. They rode by carriage to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Myron T. Herrick, where they will spend the remainder of the week.

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COAST RECORDS

HIGHWAY ROBBERS.

GEORGE WOLF WAYLAIKD AND SHOT AND KILLED.

Was on His Way from Magalia to Chico with a Two-horse Wagon and Several Hundred Dollars.

HOLD-UP ON SEBASTOPOLO ROAD.

AN OREGON MAN ROBBED OF TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS.

Minister Willis Improved in Health. Sailed for Honolulu on the Steamer Development—A Battered Ship Reaches Port.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

OROVILLE, Jan. 7.—George Wolf of Magalia drove over to Chico yesterday and left there at 3 o'clock in the afternoon with a two-horse wagon. He carried between \$600 and \$700 with him, to be used in paying the men at a mine. His team was caught on the Carr grade after dark, and Wolf is supposed to have been waylaid, shot and killed, and his body robbed.

A search was made for him last night and today without success. Two young men living on the Butte Creek bridge at the foot of the Carr grade, heard two shots fired. Wolf is a single man, 35 years old. Nothing has as yet been found of him. The sack containing the money was found in the wagon, but the coin had been taken.

A RANCHER HELD UP.

SANTA CRUZ, Jan. 7.—W. T. Wallace, who came here from Oregon recently to purchase farm land, was held up and robbed of \$250 by masked highwaymen on the Sebastopol road near here, this afternoon.

PROBABLY A HOAX.

The Dunham Story of Sailor John W. G. Green.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—The story of the sailor, John W. G. Green, who, according to a dispatch from Oregon City, Or., claims he saw Dunham, the San José murderer, on board the ship St. John, is probably a hoax. Green said he shipped as second mate of the St. John in this city, bound for New York; that Dunham had stowed himself away and became a sailor for the voyage, and that on arrival at New York, shipped on the filibuster steamer Bermuda for Cuba. Records in this city show that a man named John W. G. Green shipped on the St. John. The real second mate's name was W. B. Hurd, a man 55 years of age. Green said he had stopped at McMahony and McCarthy's boarding-houses. The registers show that the only men who shipped from these houses were George Scott, E. B. Smith, W. Wyatt and A. Austin.

OLD-TIME BELIEF SHATTERED.

Body of Rich Ore Found Below the Usual Depth.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—The mining world has been set by the ears by the developments in the Kennedy mine in Grass Valley within the past few days.

At a perpendicular depth of over 200 feet a body of rich ore, fully thirty feet in width, has been discovered. In magnitude the ore body will compare favorably with any body of ore of great depth at which it lies. It is a long-cherished and heretofore-believed infallible tradition of the search for gold on the Pacific Coast.

It is an old story which has almost crystallized into a formula, that gold ore disappears after a certain depth has been attained. This is a creed of every old prospector from the Yukon to the Panama Isthmus. The developments in the Kennedy not only topple over this old-time belief, but they lead to a revolution in mining in this State for the deeper progress is made in the Kennedy the wider grows the ore body.

At the 800-foot level the ore was rich but only eight feet wide. At the 2000-foot level it had increased to twenty feet. At the 3000-foot level it is thirty feet wide, and the ore body is still deeper the ore body grows. It is like a great wedge in the earth with the edge to the surface and the base given to sink the shaft an additional 200 feet, and mine-owners on the Pacific Coast are awaiting the result. If that ledge continues, as it is believed there will be some lively burrowing in the bottom of the mother lode this coming summer. Even the Comstock people may be tempted to make another experiment.

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forecastle hands were down with scurvy all the time.

The ship had to be worked short-handed against the greatest odds. Sail after sail was blown into ribbons. The men had to clamber into the lead rigging, unbend the remnants, carry them below decks, thaw out the ropes, haul them aloft again and bend them to the yards. This went on almost incessantly night and day, until the men were worn out and sick.

THE GREATER REPUBLIC.

Central American Affairs Disturb Gen. Ezeta—His Hopes Dashed.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

OAKLAND, Jan. 7.—Gen. Ezeta, the exiled President of the Republic of Salvador, has one more bitter dreg added to his cup of unhappiness. He read the published report of the cancellation of the papers of the consul-general of the republics of Honduras, Salvador and Nicaragua, and the issuance of papers to his sworn enemy, Dr. Calderon, as Consul-General of the three united republics. These facts mean that Ezeta's last hope of returning to Salvador and being received by his faithful people will never be realized.

"I look upon the whole matter," said the general, "as a great farce. The unification of those three republics has all been accomplished by their respective governments without ever submitting the question to the people. There is no move for it—no very clever motive—and before long the money-lenders of this country and of Europe will discover it. These three bankrupt republics have simply banded together for mutual strength, and for the purpose of presenting to the world an appearance of solidity and stability, so that they will be enabled to float some heavy loans under the guise of making permanent improvements and developing the Greater Republic of Central America."

CURRY ON THE WATCH.

San Francisco's County Clerk Has Business at Sacramento.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SACRAMENTO, January 7.—County Clerk Curry of San Francisco is here watching the operations of the law-makers. He is not very communicative regarding the object of his visit, but it is generally understood that some legislation relative to the police courts of San Francisco is expected. Dist. Atty. Barnes is of the opinion that the prosecuting attorneys should be appointed from his office, and Curry thinks that the clerks should be selected from his office, as are the clerks of the Superior Court.

This is not the only interest which the County Clerk has in Sacramento.

Since election he has declared that, according to the California Constitution, he is Registrar of San Francisco. He has never sought to establish that claim, and he is now waiting for the Legislature to be asked to repeal a section of the Political Code, which will accomplish the work quite as well as the code.

BOOKED AS A DESERTER.

Arrest of Harry Sabin While Giving a Bayonet Exhibition.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—Harry Sabin, 27 years of age, was arrested yesterday afternoon while giving a bayonet exhibition in a saloon. At the city prison he admitted he was a deserter from the United States army, having left Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, six years ago. He was booked as a deserter, and later in the day was delivered up to the army officers at the Presidio.

Sabin says that he is the son of Dwight M. Sabin, formerly United States Senator from Minnesota, and that his mother is the daughter of a Mexican Central Railway.

AN IMPOSTER.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 7.—Harry Sabin, arrested at San Francisco, who claims to be a son of ex-United States Senator Dwight M. Sabin, is an imposter.

The Senator has no son.

Walked in and Stayed.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 7.—J. D. Kimball, who conducted an establishment in San Francisco known as the Indian opium cure, was yesterday afternoon indicted by the Sacramento grand jury on a charge of conspiracy to defraud.

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nority report, against it. The House confirmed the agreement.

Mr. Powers then made the opening argument. The bill which the committee reported, he said, was a plain business proposition, and he asked the members to consider it as such. He described the necessity which existed for the early solution of a trans-continental railroad, the difficulties which beset the undertaking at that time, when the South was ablaze with civil war, the hopelessness of private capital being able to accomplish anything without government aid, and the determination of the government to back the hazardous enterprise by large grants of land and by floating bonds of the road up to \$15,000 per mile as far as the Sierra, and \$25,000 for the district across the mountains.

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HOLD-UP ON SEBASTOPOL ROAD.

AN OREGON MAN ROBBED OF TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS.

Minister Willis Improved in Health. Sailed Green's Dunham Story—Ore Developments—A Battered Ship Reaches Port.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

OROVILLE, Jan. 7.—George Wolf of Magalia drove over to Chico yesterday and left there at 2 o'clock in the afternoon with a two-horse wagon. He carried between \$200 and \$300 with him to be used in paying the men at a mine. His team was caught on the Carr grade after dark, and Wolf is supposed to have been waylaid, shot and killed, and his body robbed.

A search was made for him last night and today without success. Two young men living near the Butte Creek bridge at the foot of the Carr grade, heard two shots fired. Wolf is a single man, 35 years old. Nothing has as yet been found of him. The sack containing the money was found in the wagon, but the coin had been taken.

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A RANCHER HELD UP. SANTA CRUZ, Jan. 7.—W. T. Wallace, who came here from Oregon recently to purchase farm land, was held up and robbed of \$250 by a masked highwayman on the Sebastopol road near here, this afternoon.

PROBABLY A HOAX.

The Dunham Story of Sailer John W. G. Green.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—The story of the sailor, John W. G. Green, who according to a dispatch from Oregon City, Or., claims to have been waylaid and robbed of \$250 by a masked highwayman on the Sebastopol road near here, this afternoon, is probably a hoax. Green said he shipped as second mate of the St. John in this city, bound for New York; that Dunham had stolen his self away and became a sailor for the voyage, and then, on arrival at New York, shipped on the ill-fated steamer Bermuda for Cuba. Records in this city show that no man named John W. G. Green shipped on the St. John. The second mate's name was B. Hurd, a man 55 years of age. Green said he had stopped at McMahon and McCarthy's boarding-house. The registers show that the only man who shipped from their houses were George Scott, E. B. Smith, W. Wyatt and A. Austin.

OLD-TIME BELIEF SHATTERED.

Body of Rich Ore Found Below the Usual Depth.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—The mining world has been very excited by the developments in the Kennedy mine in Grass Valley within the past few days.

At a perpendicular depth of over 2100 feet a body of rich ore, fully thirty feet in width, has been discovered. In magnitude the ore body will compare favorably with any yet found, and the great depth at which it lies, explodes a long-cherished and heretofore believed infallible theory of the search for gold on the Pacific Coast.

It is an old theory which age has almost crystallized into a formula, that gold is deposited in the earth, in depth has been attained. This is a creed of every old prospector from the Yukon to the Panama isthmus. The development in the Kennedy mine, however, over this old-time belief, but may lead to a revolution in mining in this State, for the deep progress is made in the Kennedy mine, the ore body is at the 800-foot level the ore was rich but only eight feet wide. At the 2000-foot level it had increased to twenty feet. At the 2100-foot level it is thirty feet wide, and as the workmen go still deeper the orebody grows. It is like a great wedge in the earth, with the edge to the surface. Orders have been given to sink the shaft an additional 500 feet, and mine-owners on the Pacific Coast are awaiting the result. It is that ledge continues to grow in size there will be some lively burrowing in the bottom of the Kennedy mine this coming summer. Even the Comstock people may be tempted to make another experiment.

At its present development the Kennedy has the distinction of being the deepest gold mine in the world with the exception of a property in Victoria, Australia. The shaft from top to bottom, allowing for the incline, measures 2450 feet.

MONOLULU NOTES.

Willis Slightly Improved—Australian Murderer Butler Seen.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, January 7.—The steamship Captive arrived today from Hong Kong and Honolulu, via Honolulu. Minister Willis, who has been very ill at Honolulu, is reported to be slightly improved in health. Honolulu people claim to have seen Butler, the Australian murderer, in that town, shortly after the arrival of the last Australian steamer. The identification is not definite, however, and no trace of the man can be found in Hawaii.

A WEARY VOYAGER.

The Battered Old British Ship Blackraes Reaches Port.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO.—The belated British ship Blackraes, battered by a hundred storms, twice stripped of her sails, and so disabled that she had to put into the nearest port for repairs, has at last dropped anchor in the harbor. Partial reports of the disasters that overtook her on the Atlantic have been given from time to time but until now nothing has been said about her battle with a hurricane off the Horn when the crew, ill from the effects of salt water that had backed into the fresh-water tanks, were compelled to work night and day for nearly five weeks to keep enough canvas on the yards to hold the ship steady in a howling gale. The weather was bitterly cold and the rigging covered with ice.

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The ship had to be worked short-handed against the greatest odds. Sail after sail was blown into ribbons. The men had to clamber into the lead rigging, unbend the remnants, carry them below decks, then out the ropes, haul them aloft again and bend them to the yards. This work went on almost incessantly night and day, until the men were worn out and sick.

THE GREATER REPUBLIC.

Central American Affairs Disturb Gen. Ezeta—His Hopes Dashed.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

OAKLAND, Jan. 7.—Gen. Ezeta, the exiled President of the Republic of Salvador, has one more bitter drop added to his cup of unhappiness. He read the published report of the cancellation of the papers of the consuls-general of the republics of Honduras, Salvador and Nicaragua, and the issuance of papers to his sworn enemy, Dr. Calderon, as Consul-General of the three united republics. These facts mean that Ezeta's last hope of returning to Salvador and being received by his faithful people will never be realized. "I look upon the whole matter," said the general, as he paced uneasily up and down his room, "as a great farce. The unification of these three republics has all been accomplished by their respective governments without ever submitting the question to the people. There is a motive for it—a very clever motive—and before long the money-lenders of this country and of Europe will discover it. These three bankrupt republics have simply banded together for mutual strength, and for the purpose of presenting to the world an appearance of solidity and stability, so that they will be enabled to float some heavy loan and make some permanent improvements and develop the Greater Republic of Central America."

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Proceeding, he explained the elements which reduced the estimated earnings of the roads and made it unlikely that they could meet the bonds when they became due. The government's interest in 1882 was estimated at \$3,892,000. At that time the army and navy transportation and the postal service to the Pacific coast cost the government \$7,357,731. Yet, notwithstanding the vast increase in the government transportation and the postal service, the rate of compensation paid by the government to the companies were reduced so low that instead of receiving an amount which would yield the interest on the subsidy bonds, they were left debtors annually to the interest account in large amounts.

"Do you claim that the government has done anything to help the companies who have done what they could to discharge their obligations to the government?" asked Mr. Boatner of Louisiana.

"I do," replied Mr. Powers. He proceeded to say that the government had never regarded the Pacific railroad projectors as a set of rascals because they had gotten rich. But he asserted that if they had done so, they would have been rich in other ways, it was nobody's business. This, he said, they had done. He gave a computation of the present indebtedness of the roads on January 1, 1897, at \$53,714,408 on the Union Pacific and Kansas Pacific, and \$57,831,514 on the Central Pacific and Western Pacific.

The time had come, he said, when the government was forced to take the roads under the law. If either of these courses was followed, the government would be obliged to immediately pay the outstanding first-mortgage bonds, amounting in the aggregate to \$61,385,000. Was this a desirable condition of the treasury? But that was not all, he said. If the government took the roads, it would have to take on the debt of the roads. Not a train could be run into Omaha. The government could not operate it without terminals, to advantage. In case of the attempt to sell, the owners would be at the mercy of the owners of the terminals.

The plan which the Pacific Railway Commission proposed, he said, was to extinguish the remaining debts of the roads by the sale of the bonds, with interest upon the deferred payments at 2 per cent. These debts, he said, should be secured by second mortgages on the companies, which should embrace not only the roads, but also the terminals, land and all other branches, terminals, land and equipments to which the lien of the government does not now extend.

The bill provides for the issue of the company's bonds for the government's balance of \$112,000,000 at 2 per cent. and for the annual payment of the principal on account of principal, \$385,000 annually for ten years; \$550,000 for ten years and the balance at the rate of \$100,000 annually. This bill was passed and the government should eventually be obliged to take the roads. Mr. Powers said it would then have a railroad to operate on a portion of the road. He said the bill was objectionable to both roads and he did not know of any other way to accept the provisions. In reply to questions, Mr. Powers said the committee had calculated on \$4,000,000 annually as the net earnings of the roads.

"Why do you allow 4 per cent. on the stock of the company?" asked Mr. Lacey of Iowa.

"To tempt the stockholders to enter into the arrangement. We could not ask them to go on with no prospect of a dividend."

"What is the present value of the stock on which you propose 4 per cent.?" asked Mr. Moody.

"Central Pacific is worth 15," asked Mr. Powers.

"Can the companies comply?" asked Mr. McCree of Kentucky.

"That is the vital question," replied Mr. Powers. He began by saying the condition of the roads could not well be worse than it has been during the last few years.

Figuring net earnings of the roads at \$4,000,000 each, the charges allowing for interest on first mortgages against the Central Pacific would be \$3,825,000 and against the Union Pacific \$3,223,543. Mr. Bowers, in reply to a question about the additional security offered the government under the Pacific Railway Commission six years ago estimated the value of the roads at \$100,000,000. He also said to Mr. Perkins of Iowa, (Rep.), that the bill in nowise affected the stock of the roads or the central branch of the Union Pacific. In conclusion, Mr. Powers said that the Pacific Railroad Commission had offered a plan which had been sanctioned by every committee of the House or Senate, that had investigated the roads. They had inquired the roads in the last year and reached the verge of the ability of the road to pay.

"The question is," said he, "shall we undertake to collect those debts or ruthlessly throw them away? You will be regarded with bitter attacks on individuals. I have tried to forego against this. We have nothing to do with the fight between C. P. Huntington and Mayor Sufo. We must address ourselves to the protection of the government's interest and we present this bill as the best possible plan."

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ness rather than pay \$21,000,000? He described the alleged manner in which Mr. Huntington had manipulated the road in his interest, saying at the same time he had no desire to denounce capital.

Mr. Bell then explained the substitute he had proposed, which provided that if the roads would make the United States secure by paying off the first mortgage bonds, the government would extend the debt any reasonable period at 3 per cent. These roads could do

In the course of his remarks he said he did not want to commit the government in any way to the doctrine of the government ownership of railroads, a sentiment that was liberally applauded.

Mr. Grov of Pennsylvania (Rep.) occupied the remainder of the day to the house of the committee in favor of the bill. He argued that the government, holding, as it did, a junior mortgage, was in a position where it had to make sacrifices in a reduction of the rate of interest and an extension of principal of the debt in order to protect its interest. The road could pay depended upon its net earnings, and the scheme of this bill was based on the net earnings. It was conceded by the minority that, in the event of a foreclosure and sale, the government must lose half of the debt.

When the committee rose, several minor amendments to the bill were adopted to perfect the measure.

SILVER FOX PROPAGATION. WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The House Committee on Territories today formally agreed to report the bill which passed the Senate, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to use his discretion in leasing certain islands in Alaska for terms of twenty years for the purpose of propagating the silver fox. At present the lease can be but for one year, which is not sufficient for the purpose proposed.

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The Republican and Democratic steering committees today decided to make the Pacific Railroad Refunding Bill the order of business in the Senate after the Free Homestead Bill. The Republican committee, with Senator Allison, its chairman, present, was in session for an hour, when Senators Gorman and Cockrell were called in as the representatives of the Democratic committee.

There was no opposition in either committee to the proposition to give the bill consideration and to place the bill on the calendar for early action, practicable. The agreement was made only conditional upon the passage of the bill through the House. If it fails to pass there, the bill will be taken up in the Senate. No attempt was made to provide for the consideration of any other bill.

THE TARIFF HEARING.

Wool Manufacturers Claim Half of Their Mills Were Closed.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The wool manufacturers furnished an interesting story in the tariff hearings. They did not ask for free wool, but requested that the Wilson law had closed half of their mills and had proved destructive to the country's business generally. They wanted compensatory duties on woolen goods and a more moderate tariff than the wool-growers asked. The first speaker on the woolen tariff was S. N. D. of Boston, secretary of the National Wool Manufacturers' Association. The Association, he said, counseled moderation, fixing rates requesting moderate protection which would enable them to compete with a promise of permanence.

The wool manufacturers suffered more than any other class by the tariff of 1894. The months preceding the tariff revision of 1894 and two years subsequent included the most disastrous period in the history of the woolen industry. The bulk of the woolen and worsted machinery had been wholly or partly idle. At present there was more machinery in operation than during the summer, but the general condition of the manufacturer was bad.

The import of wool in 1895 ran up to 40,000,000 pounds, almost equal to three years under the McKinley act. The total imports of manufacturers' wool in 1895 were valued at \$60,219,000 foreign value. The duty value was \$20,000,000, about a third of the value of the wool in 1894. The United States had enough machinery when in operation to supply home consumption. Importation and low values, he said, crowded upon the market a glut of woolen goods, which, when approved by the association, will be forwarded to the Ways and Means Committee at Washington.

Resolved, that in arranging a new tariff the California delegation in Congress is respectfully urged to procure the free entry or taking out of bond all materials actually used for construction, repairs, equipment or subsistence of American-built ships in the foreign trade.

The plan adopted for carrying out the purpose of the conference was a general discussion of the entire subject before the entire body, with the presentation of such resolutions, memorials and minutes on particular phases, or touching particular interests.

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The session of the general conference lasted nearly two hours, during which resolutions setting forth the needs of the wine, fruit, lumber and other first forests were presented and discussed. The committee held two sessions, at which hearings were given to the fruit and nut industry, the hurlap and grain bag manufacturing industry and partial hearings to the wool and lumber industries.

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THREE INDICTMENTS.

Grand Jury Hold Peck and Brown- ing to Answer.

The United States grand jury convened yesterday in the Government Building. Two indictments were returned against Postoffice Clerk A. E. Peck, for opening letters in the post-office, and one against Charles Brown- ing for breaking open a mail box. Brown- ing is the man who broke into the mail box at the corner of North Main and Alpine streets, and then gave himself up, saying that lack of work had driven him to do so. He was in the lock-up. No doubt his wish will be more than gratified as he has prac- tically no defense and Uncle Sam is not inclined to be lenient with mail fac- tors who tamper with his mail service.

Baseball Points.

The Los Angeles and Tufts-Lyon baseball teams will play their second game of the series next Sunday. The last time they met it took ten innings to decide the game. The Tufts claim that with the assistance of Whitehead, who has been troubled with sore eyes for some time, they will certainly win. Harvey and Henry will be in the points for the Tufts-Lyon, and the Los Angeles team will put Tyler and the veteran Lohman against them.

A Painful Cut.

W. J. Walsh, who lives at the corner of Santa Fe street and Palmetto ave- nue, was chopping wood yesterday morning when he struck his left hand with the hatchet. He went to the Re- ceiving Hospital, where it was found that he had severed the tendons be- tween the thumb and forefinger, and splintered the bone.

Footpads Held for Trial.

James Brown and Martin Carroll were held to the Superior Court by Justice Owens in the Police Court yester- day in bonds of \$1500 each of the charge of robbery.

Christmas morning the two men held and robbed a man at the corner of First and Alameda streets.

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PRIZES FOR PRETTY BABIES.

Feature of the Home Products Ex- hibition—Merchants Interested.

The enthusiasm among the mer- chants regarding the trades' parade on Saturday, January 16, is making itself manifest in many ways. After having secured the almost unanimous pledge of the wholesale merchants and manufacturers to participate with their employees in the parade, the Executive Committee received suggestions to de- clare the afternoon of that day a hol- iday. Rejoicing that the loss of the entire afternoon would be too great, the merchants have been approached on the subject of closing their places of business for two hours.

A large number of wholesale and re- tail merchants have signified their in- tention to comply with this request, and concerted action on their part is assured. It is proposed to close the stores from 2 until 4 o'clock, in order to give the employees, as well as the customers, an opportunity to see the great industrial procession.

The ladies having charge of "Baby Day" report that the greatest interest is being taken in the event among all classes. It has been decided to have the contest take place on January 15, when all babies entered for competi- tion will be displayed during the en- tire day. Mrs. D. G. Stephens, at the corner of Sixth and Olive streets, re- quests all mothers who desire their babies to compete for prizes, to file their applications as soon as possible.

A large sum of money has been placed at the disposal of the ladies who have the matter in charge, with which to purchase the most useful and hand- some prizes for those little ones who will be declared winners by a jury of competent judges. The babies will be classified and there will be a prize for the homeliest, as well as the prettiest baby, and for the thinnest as well as the fattest baby.

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Society News.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Matthay enter- tained delightfully last evening at their pleasant home on South Alvarado street, in honor of the fifty-seventh wedding anniversary of Mrs. Mat- thay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Gottschalk. The wide veranda was prettily lighted with strings of Chi- nese lanterns, and the rooms were ar- tistically decorated with quantities of flowers, palms and vines. Biscuits, roses, English ivy and smilax were effectively arranged in the drawing- room, while the dining-room was bright- ly decorated with flowers. Peppermint sprays were festooned from the chan- delier to the corners of the room and the ceremony was performed by the peppermint sprays about the mantel. In the hall, the stairway was wreathed with ivy and daisy palms and waxy- leaved plants. The bride and groom, charmingly and Mr. Gossett rendered several delightful violin solos. A dainty supper was served at small tables. Among the guests were:

Mesdames: Alfred, Klages, Schaefer, W. M. Strong, Kaonig, Kaiser, Olshausen, Adams, Petter, Misses: Clara French, Adams, Maj. Wedemeyer, Dr. Janss, Col. Chandler, Magauran, W. M. Strong, Charles French, Schaefer, Ford Matthey.

The wedding of Miss Mary Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Smith, and Earl D. Boone took place Wednesday morning at the resi- dence of the bride's parents on South Grand avenue. The Mendelssohn "Wedding March" was played by the Misses Louie Ward and Belle Smith. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. F. Coulter, the bride party standing beneath a canopy of netting wreathed with smilax. The wedding hall was of white roses and ferns. The room was prettily decorated with pink and white roses, smilax and ferns. A large crowd of a tailor-made gown of mode cloth, and carried white car- nations and maidenhair ferns. The hall and library were pretty with English ivy and red roses. The dining- room, where the breakfast was served, was decorated with smilax, ferns and white roses. The place cards were heart-shaped and carried out into the blossoms and tied with love-knots. Mrs. Boone will spend a few days in Santa Barbara, and on their return will reside in Los Angeles.

MRS. CREEDE QUILTS.

TAKES TWENTY THOUSAND DOL- LARS TO LEAVE.

Creede Acted Queerly, She Says, and Wanted to Fill the House with Sick Brothers and Sisters.

HER FOURTH EXPERIMENT.

IN DUE COURSE OF TIME A DI- VORCE WILL FOLLOW.

The Husband Will Retain the Adopted Child, Edith Walker, Story of a Runaway Actress Who Abandoned Her Child.

With the least possible commotion, W. C. Creede, the millionaire miner, after whom the town of Creede, Colo., is named, and his wife have separated and agreed to dissolve at once, as far as possible without legal process, the marital bonds.

Last Monday an attorney was sum- moned to the Creede home, the Col. Northam place at the head of Sixth street, near Pearl, and a stipulation was drawn up and signed, by which Mrs. Creede accepted the divorce on hand and surrendered all further claims upon her husband, at the same time voluntarily withdrawing from the premises. At 4 o'clock Monday after- noon Mrs. Creede removed her personal belongings from her former home, and, under the terms of the agreement, de- serted her husband.

It is to be presumed, and in fact, it is suggested by both parties to the agreement, that after the necessary period of time has elapsed, Mr. Creede will institute legal proceedings and be- gin suit for absolute divorce. At the present time both husband and wife appear to be well satisfied that they are not required to maintain the in- timate relations of the past four years.

Although Mrs. Creede is a man well past middle life, her husband, who married Mrs. Creede at Las Vegas, N. M., after an acquaintance of many years, standing at Del Norte, Colo. Mrs. Creede, on the other hand, has experienced in matrimony on three previous occasions. At the time she married Mr. Creede she was wearing the name of Mrs. Kyle, which had been assumed after years of life under the name of Mrs. Louise Patterson. She still another term under an unknown title.

When questioned yesterday about the difficulty with his wife, Mr. Creede said that there had been no charges made by either of the parties against the other. They had found out long ago that they were uncompanionable, and their married life had been far from pleasant. So they who were sug- gested leaving him, he offered to pay her \$20,000 if she would depart from his and board immediately. Mr. Creede admitted that he and his wife were "mismatched," and that she was possessed of an eccentric temper, but he denied that there had been any sensational scenes or any particular in- cident which had been the direct cause of their final separation. He was not in- clined to talk about the affair while his wife was still in the city.

Mrs. Louise Creede was seen last night at the Hotel Holcomb, where she talked freely about her last dip into the troubled sea of matrimony. Mrs. Creede is a short, stout lady of uncertain age, and has a very frank manner of address. She was showily dressed in an elegant costume of dark velvet, with light green silk fac- ing, and wearing a pair of gold-rimmed eyeglasses. When asked about the amount of money which had been paid her under the terms of the separation, she said:

"Oh, he (Creede) put me off with a lit- tle, old, stinking \$20,000. I could have sworn him and got half what he owns, and Sherman and I gave him his nephew—were partners with him on the Holy Moses mine at Creede. We were in with him on the deal and put up for him, and he always agreed to pay us our shares, but he took in Mor- fat and that Denver crowd, because they had money to make things go with. After I married him I just thought I'd let things drop.

"I wanted \$25,000 to leave, but he hung out for \$20,000 and gave me rather than stay in the house any longer. For about a year he's acted queer. He wouldn't speak to me some- times for a month at a stretch. When he wanted to bring his family out here, his brothers and sisters, a whole lot of folks, and I wouldn't have it, so when I was alone I'd go and sit- ting, he asked how much I'd take to go. I wanted \$25,000, but he wouldn't listen to it, and finally I took \$20,000.

"I left the house Monday with my going to Mississippi to live. I've got a lot of relatives in Alabama and Ten- nessee, but I don't want to leave the whole nest of them, so I'll stop in Mis- sissippi.

Creede used to be a hard drinker, times he'd get drunk and he'd give me a hard time. I've had him get drunk for weeks at a time, so as it would take six months to sober up, and then he'd be sick for a year. I knew him by reputation for thirteen years when I was living in Del Norte.

"There was a fight between us, but I know he's stuck on another woman. I've seen it coming for some time, but I don't want to mention any names and get into trouble and stay here trying lawsuits for nobody. You know I just believe Creede's crazy; he acted so queer sometimes."

When asked what disposition would be made of the little child that the Creedes adopted about two years ago, Mrs. Creede said:

"I guess Creede 'll keep it. I don't want it and didn't want to take it at first. That was Creede's doing. I wouldn't pack it half-way across the continent, and it only 2 years old. I expect after I'm gone Creede 'll fill the newspapers with a pack of lies."

Edith Walker, Creede's adopted child, the adopted child of Mr. Creede, began life under a cloud of romance. About a year ago, Edith Walker, the adopted daughter of Capt. Waters, the wealthy sheep-raiser who lives on San Miguel Island, tired of the lonely life to which she was condemned, ran away from home with the help of a fisherman. From Santa Barbara she went to San Francisco, where she ap- peared on the stage at one of the va- riety theaters. While engaged at the Tivoli she married a worthless actor, named Walker, who was obliged to support out of her earnings.

Later the pair came to Los Angeles and played at the Burbank. While here, Walker deserted his wife, leav- ing her in a delicate condition and un- able to support herself. She was so reduced in circumstances that she was obliged to go to the County Hospital, where she gave birth to a daughter, who was given her mother's name, Edith Walker.

In order to support herself and child, Mrs. Walker returned to the stage in San Francisco, leaving her baby in the care of a widow on Spring street, with the promise that she would for- ward regular remittances for the child's benefit. When the mother, for some cause, failed to provide for her child, it was found necessary to make some other arrangement for its care.

Mr. Creede heard of the case and, hav- ing no children of his own, was so taken with the beauty of the abandoned infant, that he resolved to adopt it. As a result, it was taken into the Creede household, where it has received every conceivable care and attention.

EAST SIDE CYCLERS.
Election of Officers for the Coming Year—Great Interest Shown.
At a meeting of the East Side Cycling Club held at its clubhouse at No. 220 South Chestnut street last Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected for 1897:
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FOR BETTER CITY GOVERNMENT.

The proposed amendments to the city charter are to be voted upon in about two weeks. Every voter of Los Angeles should improve the intervening time to the best advantage in posting himself as to the provisions of these amendments, some of which are of a radical nature. There should be a full vote at the election, and the vote should not only be a full one as to numbers, but it should likewise be an intelligent vote.

It is not to be expected, of course, that the adoption of these amendments will give to Los Angeles an ideal form of municipal government. No human work is absolutely perfect, and faults will undoubtedly be revealed in the amended charter when it is brought to the actual working test. But The Times believes it to be a decided step forward in the work of reforming and improving our municipal government, which is sadly in need of reform and improvement. Certainly, if we make no effort toward the betterment of present conditions, we shall not advance.

One thing may be set down as virtually certain, and that is that the occupation of the ward heeler and the local boss will be practically gone if the charter amendments be adopted. The election of Councilmen and members of the Board of Education by a general ticket, to be voted by the city at large, instead of the election of one Councilman and one member of the Board of Education by each ward, will be an important step toward securing honest elections. The pot-house statesmen who are wont to control the elections in certain wards, to a greater or less extent, will not be able to control the result in the city at large, and will hardly have the nerve to attempt it. Any plan which will talk the schemes of these worthies to "cinch" the people on the whole a good measure, even though it may be defective in other respects.

The increased power which it is proposed to vest in the Mayor will have two marked results. It will in the first place lead the people to be extremely cautious in nominating their candidates for mayor. The fact will be generally recognized that an executive officer to whom so much is to be trusted will require certain qualifications and abilities not likely to be found in the first candidate who offers himself for the honor. The result will be that much greater care will be bestowed upon the selection of candidates, and this will lead directly to the selection of better men for the office than are selected under the present haphazard system. In the second place, the increased power given to the Mayor would carry with it greatly increased responsibilities, and that official would exercise a far greater degree of circumspection in making his appointments than is requisite under the present system. The placing of a man under a heavy burden of responsibility, if he has in him the true elements of manhood, serves to steady his hand and to clear his head. No man who could secure a nomination for Mayor of Los Angeles, under the amended charter would dare to trifle with the people's interests, to appoint unworthy men to office, nor to neglect the discharge of his full official duties

to the best of his ability. The Mayor will be put upon his mettle, so to speak, and the conditions by which he will be surrounded will serve to bring out the best that is in him. The eyes of the people will be constantly upon him. He will be, in truth as well as in name, the executive head and chief magistrate of the city. The position of Mayor will, under these conditions, be a trying one, which will test the abilities of its occupant to the utmost. But the honors of success will be great, as the disgrace of failure will be humiliating. The office will demand and receive the best services of representative and able men. It will to a considerable extent be lifted out of the mire of politics, and will become indeed a place of honor, of trust and of responsibility.

The plan of municipal government which it is proposed to establish in Los Angeles has been tried elsewhere, in its essential provisions, with satisfactory results. We have here a fertile field for municipal reform. Our city government is far more expensive than it should be. One of the principal aims of the new system will be the curtailment of all unnecessary expenditures, and consequently the marked reduction of taxation. That this good end would be attained under the new charter is a practical certainty, and this is another cogent reason for its adoption at the election to be held on January 20.

BATHOS.

The San Francisco Call, in a double-column editorial, printed in its issue of Tuesday—sent to Sacramento on a special engine "five hours ahead of all competitors"—discusses the question of selecting a United States Senator from California. After remarking that this is the most important duty which the State Legislature will be called upon to perform, the Call says:

"It is high time that the great State of California should give serious consideration to the subject of its Senators and should approach their selection with a proper degree of pride. In the earlier history of the republic it is recorded that men have declined nomination for the Presidency, esteeming their seat in the United States Senate to be the more exalted office. The old commonwealth has set California an apt example in the quality of men whom they select as Senators, and proudly point to the statesmen whose illustrious careers in the Senate have reflected glory upon their respective States. Why may not California make an epoch in its history by choosing from among its sons a Senator who, in the possession of those qualities which the office peculiarly requires, shall be worthy to take an equal place among the orators and the statesmen of whom her sister commonwealths are so justly proud? While Iowa sends an Allison, Ohio a Foraker, Nebraska a Thurston, Massachusetts a Lodge and New York a Chauncey, why may not California furnish to the United States Senate a man who in character, in ambition and in ability is worthy to be their peer?"

This is all very well, as far as it goes, but the little joker comes in further on. After discussing the various qualifications that should be required of a man who has to fill the important position of Senator from California, the Call comes down to business, as follows:

"The Legislature has presented to it an opportunity to select a man who measures up to all of these requirements for our next Senator in the person of Samuel M. Shortridge of San Francisco. In character, in learning, in eloquence, in knowledge of the rights and needs of California; in ability to unify the Republican party through the confidence and support of its leaders; in the possession of the esteem and respect of the people of the entire State, Sam M. Shortridge is the candidate before the Legislature whose claim to their favor is founded upon his eminent fitness for the place."

The editor of the Call must certainly be entirely devoid both of perception and humor, or he would realize that the people of California absolutely refuse to take seriously his brother Sam, the attenuated mandarin with the owl-like visage and extraordinarily developed bump of self-esteem.

The opposition to government ownership and management of railroads gets a knock-out blow from Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota, who declares that it would be impossible for any railroads to be worse, or more dishonestly managed than the transcontinental roads have been handled under individual ownership. As the Senator lives along the line of the Northern Pacific, whose endowment has been plundered to the extent of over \$100,000,000, he evidently knows whereof he speaks.

It is said that the next thing in the way of combinations is an oatmeal trust. Have we not enough Scotchmen in America to upset such a syndicate? Hoat tout, mon!

HERBERT'S NEW DEPARTURE.

Secretary Herbert of the Navy Department has never been particularly an object of THE TIMES' admiration, and yet he occasionally does things that, even more than a passing knowledge of the duties pertaining to his onerous position. Now he shows more than ever that his selection by Mr. Cleveland was a good one, by employing a number of civilians who have been brought up in iron works to serve the government as inspectors of all steel plates intended for use in the construction of war vessels. Beyond doubt this is a step in the right direction. Under the old order of things it was the fashion to detach a lieutenant or a commander from duty on shipboard and entrust him with the work of examining and branding these plates as having been accepted for immediate use. This led up to abuses by the score, for, granting that the officer so detached was proficient in the art of navigation (which was all he was supposed to have learned in the way of official duties) what did he know about the work of the furnace and the forge? But that was not all.

Most of the naval officers detailed for duty of this sort not only were ignorant of what was required of them, but made no earnest effort to learn it. Just as soon, therefore, as the officer reported for duty the crafty contractor contrived to surround him with an endless chain of social obligations and have him invited to no end of dinner parties and other functions. The consequence was that the officer, who had the usual share of Annapolis contempt for "greasy mechanics," neglected his work and "passed" a lot of material that was really unfit to go into a merchant ship, let alone a war vessel. His salary went on just the same, and why should he care? The recent inspection of plates at the Norfolk navy yard revealed what was a simple disgrace to a navy whose rolls had borne the names of a Hull, a Decatur and a Farragut. A very large portion of the plates tested under the Secretary's order were smashed badly, and yet every one of the broken plates had been passed upon and accepted by an inspector wearing Uncle Sam's uniform, who had been detached from his ship for that purpose. Secretary Herbert, therefore, does not propose to have the lives of brave men jeopardized in that manner hereafter, and hence the new order appointing civilian inspectors.

The American people, regardless of party, must thank Secretary Herbert for this prompt and decisive action. He has shown himself to be "the right man in the right place." True, he fought in the Confederate army and fired on the flag, but he stands today as its defender against wicked and unscrupulous contractors who would send brave sailors to sea in floating coffins. The great heart of a brave and magnanimous nation has already forgiven him for his participation in the rebellion, and extends to him the glad hand for the good work done by him in this particular matter of inspection of shipbuilding material.

Secretary Herbert will be a private citizen in less than sixty days, but the good work inaugurated by him will not stop where it is. Nor is there the slightest probability that there will ever be a return to the old order of things in this matter of inspection. The men on whose shoulders the work of inspection will hereafter devolve will not wear any uniforms, nor will they know how to "lead a german" to an admiral's reception, but they will know good steel plates from faulty ones; and when any contractor undertakes to palm off a bad one on the government they will be the ones to bring him up to the post for the punishment he so richly deserves.

VALUABLE INFORMATION IN COMPACT FORM.

"The Los Angeles Times Year-Book and Almanac" is a work that no resident in California can afford to be without. The present number, being the first of its kind ever published in California, contains a mass of interesting facts, statistics and general information that make it invaluable to all who desire to inform themselves on the great events in the world's history, and more especially of those important events which directly relate to Southern California. A recapitulation of even the main features of this new and important publication is impracticable here; but, besides the usual run of matter contained in the ordinary yearly almanacs issued from eastern offices, the "The Los Angeles Times Almanac" contains, among other special California features, the following: Facts about California; election returns of the State at the last general election; official figures of the last election in Los Angeles; facts about Southern California climate; Spanish words in use and their meanings; in fact, a gazetteer in a full and reliable way of Southern California, its towns and varied industries. It is a bulky and closely-printed volume, though clear, and will be mailed to any address in the United States, Canada or Mexico on receipt of the subscription price, 35 cents.

John Piper, the Barnum of the Comstock, has had the curtain fall on his last scene. He was a native of Germany, born somewhere about 1828. For more than twenty-five years there was not an actor of note that visited San Francisco who did not play an engagement at Piper's Operahouse in Virginia City before returning eastward. On the boards of his now grim and dingy old theater have strode such celebrities as Edwin Booth, Lawrence Barrett, John McCullough, Mrs. D. R. Bowers, Charles Dillon, Anna Belsea, Tom Carl, G. Tagliapietra, Emma Juch, Charles Wyndham, Frank C. Bangs, Agnes Booth and a host of others. The good old German manager was a man of rectitude and played his part in life well.

THE NEED OF TARIFF STABILITY.

Col. North of Boston, secretary of the National Wool Manufacturers' Association, stated a plain and simple truth in his remarks before the Ways and Means Committee of the House yesterday. He said in effect that permanence in the tariff schedules is of more importance than the rate of duty. The association for which he spoke asks only moderate protection, such as will permit the reopening of the American mills; but it desires, most of all, permanence in the rate of duty. Changes in the rate, he said, are "only a lesser evil than rates too low for permanent competition with foreigners."

All this is truth itself. If our tariff schedules could be fixed upon a basis of moderate protection, and after being so adjusted could not be changed for twenty-five years, the commercial and manufacturing interests of the nation would quickly adjust themselves to the new conditions, and general prosperity would ensue. The constant agitation of the tariff question has done more to demoralize business than any of the tariff measures that have passed Congress. Agitation means uncertainty; uncertainty leads to distrust, and distrust is fatal to business activity. It is to be hoped that a reasonable, wise and equitable tariff bill will be passed at the next session of Congress, and that its schedules will then be allowed to stand unchallenged for years to come.

Col. North showed, further, that the bulk of the woolen and worsted machinery in the United States has wholly or partly been idle since the Gorman-Wilson law was enacted. The imports of cloths alone in 1895 amounted to over \$40,000,000, which was nearly equal to the imports for three years under the McKinley law. The total imports of manufacturers' wool in 1895 amounted to over \$60,000,000, foreign valuation, or to more than \$90,000,000, actual valuation. This is about one-third the value of all the wools produced in the mills of the United States in 1890, and about half the value of our domestic product in 1895.

The United States has enough machinery to supply all the wools for home consumption, and there is no good reason why we should purchase half our wools abroad and allow our mills to remain idle. What is needed is equitable and moderate protection; and, more than all else, permanence in the rate of duty.

SENATOR MORGAN'S PLAN.

A novel plan for the settlement of the Pacific railroad debts has been introduced by Senator Morgan in the form of a substitute for the pending bill. It provides for the appointment by the President of a board of trustees to manage the roads. Four of these trustees are to be chosen from west of the Mississippi River, four from east of it, and one, who is to be the president of the board, from a locality not specified. The appointments are to be confirmed by the Senate, and no member of the board is to be a stockholder in the roads. These trustees are to assume control of the roads and manage them as a corporation, the chief object in view being, of course, the settlement of the indebtedness. A 4 per cent. sinking fund is provided for, and the entire indebtedness is to be refunded at 3 per cent. in bonds running thirty years. Mr. Morgan is quoted in expressing the opinion that if the plan suggested in his bill were put into operation the roads could be made to pay all their liabilities within twenty-five years.

Senator Morgan's plan is at least worthy of careful consideration by Congress. It would have one advantage over the refunding scheme, in that it would take the management of the roads entirely out of the hands of those who have so grossly mismanaged them in the past, and would place it in the hands of an impartial commission, the sole object of which would be to make the roads earn all they are capable of earning. Mr. Morgan's plan would at all events be far preferable to the refunding scheme now before Congress.

Cleora H. Lewis, who died at Portland, Or., on Monday last, came to this Coast in 1849, and was head clerk for Eugene Kelly & Co., the dry goods firm whose founder afterward became a banker in New York. In 1853 he formed a co-partnership with Lewis H. Allen and went to Portland to conduct a general grocery business, while Allen remained in San Francisco to buy the goods and sell such Oregon produce as was consigned to them. Gen. Allen died about ten years ago. Mr. Lewis leaves a fortune of over two millions, accumulated on the slow-and-sure principle, for he was very cautious and avoided everything like speculation. He was a good man as men go, close at a bargain, but always mindful of his own obligations. The struggling retail merchants of Oregon's interior towns, ever obliged to keep up a long-winded credit system with the farmers, have lost an upright creditor and a true friend.

They are having a first-class revolt in the ranks of Tammany, and, if it can only be made permanent, the Democratic party will be the better for it. This outbreak is headed by Henry D. Purroy, County Clerk of New York. He is the son of a Portuguese lawyer who came to New York in 1842 and settled on Staten Island. Purroy speaks French, Spanish and Portuguese with equal fluency, and is the tutelary divinity of Mulberry Bend. Verily, the hand-organ has become a power in politics, and, like the setting sun, the Dago's with it.

St. Henry St. John Halford, who is reported as dying in London, was famous in his day as an organizer of rifle teams and promoter of international shooting matches. His hospitality to the American team that visited England in 1879, will not soon be

forgotten by the few survivors of that memorable contest. His toast, "The land of Robin Hood welcomes the countrymen of Daniel Boone," was one of the happy incidents of that occasion. Sir Henry had passed the eightieth year and his survival could not be much longer expected.

Perhaps Senator Allison is partly right in declining a position in President McKinley's Cabinet. Very likely he can, as he declares, add the administration more effectively by remaining in the Senate than by taking up the new and arduous duties of a Cabinet portfolio. Certainly no one should accept a Cabinet portfolio who is unwilling to serve, or doubtful of his special fitness for the high place.

All the fore part of this week a violent blizzard was raging through the northern part of the Mississippi Valley. And while the blast bore devastation and death on its wings beautiful California rested beneath a smiling sky with her orange groves laden with luscious fruit that far outshone the faded golden apples of the Hesperides. The world will never see another land so favored as our own California.

Maj. McKinley is reported to be hard at work on his inaugural address. While he is so engaged the Cabinet-makers keep hammering away. They can take all possible consolation out of it for the next ten days, as after that the major will probably pull off his coat and go to the work-bench himself.

The receiver of a broken bank in Tacoma has complained to the court that he has been "very much obstructed" in his work of adjusting the affairs of the bank and winding them up. As the salary of the receiver in question is \$300 per month, he could afford to have a great many obstructions, even if he had to create some of them himself.

One of the best things yet proposed by the Legislature emanates from Assemblyman Dibble of Nevada county. It provides that the voter shall place one single X opposite the names of the Presidential electors, and that is equivalent to voting "the straight ticket." That amendment to the election law should pass without a dissenting vote.

A Kansas City man is attracting a great deal of the popular attention from the fact that he goes to sleep while standing perfectly erect. The case becomes the more remarkable when it is taken into consideration that neither he nor his father ever did duty as policeman.

Now that the Princess de Chimay has had her say in several different languages, has had the last word, and is in full and undisputed possession of her gypsy lover, it is to be hoped that she will allow the people of both the eastern and western hemispheres to take a much-needed rest.

The town of Arrow Rock, Mo., has no lawyer residing there. If James G. Fair had removed thither before he wrote his last will it might have held water, and there would probably be something left to divide up among his heirs after it was admitted to probate.

A sprig of alleged English nobility (so-called) bearing the novelistic name of "Lord Cyril Athol" is under arrest in Oakland for being too fond of other people's horses. "Me lud" may have a chance to "the State some service"—in the jute mill at San Quentin.

AT THE PLAYHOUSES.

COMING ATTRACTION. Seats were placed on sale at the box office of the Los Angeles Theater yesterday for the coming two weeks' season of opera, which begins next Monday night with a presentation of "The Beggar Student." The Grau Opera Company is pronounced an organization of high character, the papers of Oakland, Stockton, San Jose and Sacramento having spoken of it in high praise.

Mr. Shortridge's Candidacy. (Sacramento Record-Union.) It has been stated in the public and private circles of the State that Senator Shortridge is in the Senatorial fight, and that he is backed by some wealthy gentlemen by the name of Spreckels who reside in San Francisco. These gentlemen by the name of Spreckels have the reputation of being millionaires. Just why they should desire to own a United States Senator is not declared, and is therefore left to surmise. But if Mr. Shortridge is backed by the name of Spreckels, the question arises, who will have the Senator—the people of the State of California, or Claus Spreckels? It is useless to discuss the inexorable logic of a situation of this kind. When a millionaire undertakes to give a poor lawyer a seat in the Senate, the result is a foregone conclusion. If successful, it is to serve the millionaire and not the people. Mr. Shortridge is a serious candidate, and Mr. Spreckels, if he is in fact a self-respecting citizen, owe it to themselves to proclaim over their signatures that the fight against Perkins is not going to purchase a seat for him in the Senate of the United States. This is a perfectly fair proposition. And if, indeed, Claus Spreckels is not promoting the candidacy of Mr. Shortridge, both gentlemen still owe the public the candor of a disclaimer.

Mr. Shortridge has had no legislative experience. He is crossing a very wide field when he springs from the ground into a Senatorial position. He has exhibited no distinguishing abilities upon any field. He is a candidate of no respectability, and as a lawyer, and enjoys the distinction of being brother to Charles M. Shortridge, the editor and proprietor of the San Francisco Call. While the family relation in this instance may be reputable, it is certainly not distinguishing. What Mr. Shortridge proposes to do for the State of California has not been announced. The extent to which the public have been taken into the confidence of his candidacy is the open and covert announcement that he is backed by Claus Spreckels.

Blessed are the Peacemakers. F. G. Gillard of No. 1014 San Pedro did the peacemaker as last night, and learned a lesson. At the corner of First and San Pedro streets two dogs got into a fight. Gillard separated the belligerents, and one of them got hold of his thumb with its teeth. As a result the peacemaker went to the Receiving Hospital to have a painful bite cauterized, and the dogs fought it out.

VICTORY CERTAIN.

SENATOR PERKINS'S ELECTION ASSURED IN BOTH HOUSES.

Uncle Collis Declines to Come Out in Favor of Sam Shortridge.

NO LEGISLATION DONE AS YET.

SEVERAL BILLS INTRODUCED FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

New Bill for Granting Franchises. Question of Photographing Registered Voters Raised Again.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 6. — (Special Correspondence.) Sam Shortridge and Brother Charles seem to have wheels in their heads, and they are rotating very rapidly. Notwithstanding the fact that he held last night and its decisive result, the two brothers are still stoutly asserting that Sam is a sure winner. At that caucus sixty of the seventy-four Republican members of the Legislature were present and by unanimous vote Senator Perkins was nominated on the first ballot. Assemblyman Keables of the Sixtieth district, a silver Republican, had signed the call, but was not present at the caucus. He says, however, that he will certainly vote for Perkins next Tuesday. Fohlman of San Francisco was another who had signed but failed to appear. He yielded to the majority and voted for Perkins. The utter futility of these tactics is apparent to every one. Senator Perkins will be elected on Tuesday. Thirty-seven Republican Assemblymen attended the caucus, and will, of course, be elected on Tuesday. Those who are friendly to Perkins on Tuesday. Keables, silver Republican, has declared that he will stand by his pledge and vote for Perkins. Only three more votes are needed to make a majority in the Assembly, and they will probably be forthcoming from Men and Leon Jones of San Francisco are eager to get into the bandwagon and are only waiting for Dan Burns' permission.

Sixteen Democrats have signified their intention to vote for Senator Perkins if his votes are not enough to secure his election. The Senator's friends say, however, that they will need no Democratic aid. In the Senate the result is equally assured. Twenty-three Senators voted at the caucus and though Frank and Morchouse, in obedience to Jones' orders, have hitherto refused to commit themselves, they will probably be found at the finish on the winning side. Senator Bull said to me today that Senator Perkins would undoubtedly swing into the Perkins column.

And Sam Shortridge declares that the Senatorial race is to fall on his shoulders. With his blindest smile he said today: "My fight is won. Senator Perkins is going to get the job. Both houses in the caucus. Fifteen Republican members are at my back and you will see a stamped and sealed victory today. Many of my friends were at that caucus, but they are not in any way bound by its action, and they attended the caucus only as a matter of form. Sam's air-ship has proved only a toy balloon, and it has been punctured at that. Everyone is asking the meaning of the Shortridge bluff. The utter futility of their fight against Senator Perkins must have been obvious to them from the start, unless they were utterly devoid of all political sagacity. It has been said that Sam Shortridge is merely paving the way for a fight for the Senatorial nomination between himself and Perkins. If this is his object, then defeat is in store for him. Southern California will certainly name Senator Stephen White's successor. It is generally conceded that the time is past when the north can claim both of California's Senators. The south has established its right to recognition, and it cannot be disputed in future. The next Senator that California sends to Washington will be from south of the Tehachas.

Shortridge has not even made such a fight as to entitle him to recognition from the incoming administration. Through him he has played a game of bluff, pure and simple, and his bluff has been called. Had it not been for the fight over patronage, his views, which have even the corporal's guard which is now ostensibly supporting him. The San Francisco delegation made a great effort to gobble the lion's share of the good things and tried hard to effect a combination with the southern members to divide the spoils. When the Senatorial fight is over, the spoils will be divided between the victor and the vanquished. The fight is now being waged in the Senate. There has been no evidence that the Southern Pacific is taking any active part in the contest. It was expected that Huntington's heels would be prepared to make a strenuous effort to defeat Senator Perkins, and those pliant statesmen who are always on the watch for an indication of Uncle Collis's wishes have been waiting in vain for a sign. No sign was given them. The broad sense of the Record-Union, which have been construed as a semi-official expression of Huntington's views, is that it is that Shortridge has received no aid from the railroad, for prominent among the names of the supporters of Perkins are some of the Southern Pacific's most subversive tools.

Apparently Huntington has recognized that a fight against Perkins would be hopeless, and he wisely concluded not to risk the consequent loss of prestige. Even if Shortridge were satisfactory to the Southern Pacific, his pretensions have been so ridiculous and his support so feeble, he could not have been a successful candidate. The top in politics has proved a failure.

The Senatorial fight has of course absorbed attention hitherto. No legislation has yet been effected in the Senate. As soon as practicable, Senator Bull will introduce a bill which will be of interest to Los Angeles as it is assigned with special reference to the magnificent park recently presented to the city by G. J. Griffith.

The editor and proprietors of the city shall have jurisdiction over lands outside of their limits given for the purpose of public parks. The bill also provides that in such cases the city shall control streets leading to the park and shall have power to grant franchises over them.

Senator Bull will also endeavor to secure the adoption of the Torrens system of land transfers, which has been successful in use in Australia for many years and which has been introduced in some of the eastern States.

In the Assembly, Cross of Los Angeles, has a bill to introduce the principles of civil service reform into the administration of State, county and municipal affairs. The measure provides for competitive examinations for all appointments of clerks and deputies. Guy of San Diego has introduced a

bill appropriating \$75,000 for the establishment of a State Normal School in San Diego county. A similar bill was passed at the last session but was pocketed by the Governor. A fight may arise over this measure, as Santa Barbara also wants a normal school and it is hardly likely that Southern California will get two at this session. Melick of Los Angeles, has introduced a bill providing for the abolition of County Clerks' fees upon pension vouchers. This measure will doubtless find favor at the Soldiers' Home, which is in Melick's district.

Assemblyman Vandine has asked an extra appropriation of \$5000 for the Normal School at Los Angeles. Prof. Pierce, the principal of the school, who is here attending the school, has explained the of the desired appropriation that it is for the purpose of moving the gymnasium and fitting up rooms in the basement for classes in manual training. The gymnasium now obstructs the light from the school, and the change is deemed necessary. The proposed appropriation is in addition to the regular appropriation for the running expenses of the school.

Meat of Los Angeles has introduced a bill to change the law relating to the granting of franchises to municipal corporations. The law now provides that any franchise shall be sold for a lump sum. Mead's bill provides that payment shall be by percentage of the gross income, such payment to begin five years after the franchise is granted.

Mead has also presented a bill to protect laborers and material men engaged on public works. The bill provides that the contractor shall make the sureties liable for all such claims. An important measure was introduced today by Assemblyman Strain. The bill authorizes the use of photography to protect and prevent fraudulent voting. The contractor for each county are empowered to require that photographs be taken of every voter at public expense, the cost not to exceed one cent for each photograph. A second set of photographs, according to streets and street numbers shall also contain the photographs and provision is made for the photographs in the detection of persons registering illegally. The photographs are made admissible as evidence in trials of persons charged with fraudulent voting.

Goff of San Bernardino has presented a bill appropriating \$20,000 for the erection of a central building for the Highland Insane Asylum.

It is already evident that the Legislature is recovering from its enthusiasm for retrenchment and economy. In the Assembly today today introduced a resolution, providing for additional clerks and stenographers for several of the committees. The San Francisco delegation has secured a sergeant-at-arms and a clerk, and other concessions seem likely to be made soon. There are hordes of hungry applicants and, although both houses have started with a heavy reduction in the number of attaches, the spasm of temporary virtue bids fair to be short-lived. Senator Withington of San Diego is chairman of the Steering Committee appointed at the last session to reduce the number of useless attaches, and his correspondence reads: "I am not a economist. I believe in appointing just as many men as we can find work for. I don't believe in economizing in expenses at the Capitol."

Many other "reformers" are showing their teeth in colors.

GEORGE M. TROWBRIDGE.

SURE-ENOUGH AIR-SHIP.

A Pittsburgh Man Says He Has a Flying Machine.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.) PITTSBURGH (Pa.), Jan. 7.—Charles D. de Forest, a Pittsburgh inventor who has been interested in the stories about the alleged Chinese flying machine, has a flying machine that will fly. Yesterday he exhibited a model which flew across a field.

He believes the air-ship should be built on the principle of a bird's flight, and his model looks like a large hawk or eagle. He was careful to arrange that the body of the bird would hold sufficient gas to make the machine buoyant enough to carry itself in the air. After filling the model with gas he attached a rope to it. As soon as released the model started skyward until the end of the rope was reached.

De Forest has made a number of public tests of his model, and all were successful.

FRANCHISES MORTGAGED.

Commercial Cable Company Raises Twenty Million Dollars.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.) NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—A mortgage has been filed with Registrar Schomer, the highest mortgage being \$20,000,000. It was given to the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company by the Commercial Cable Company, pledging all its telegraph properties, rights, privileges and franchises, including those of the Postal Telegraph Company.

The mortgage is given to secure an issue of 500 four-per-cent. gold bonds and debenture stocks which aggregate the sum of the mortgage.

MIDWINTER NUMBER.

"A Magnificent Edition."

(Santa Rosa Republican.) The Los Angeles Times issued a magnificent holiday edition. While loyal to all sections of the State, the paper's prominence was given to the interests of Southern California.

"A Good Index."

(Ventura Vanguard.) The Los Angeles Times issued a magnificent midwinter edition New Year's day. It contained a good description of the country and people of Southern California. A whole page was devoted to Santa Paula, and the magnificent orchards of N. W. Blanchard. The number was a good index of the Times' skill and enterprise.

"Ahead of Anything."

(The Investor.) The New Year's issue of the Los Angeles Times is not only up to the high standard of former special publications of the same paper, but is really a masterpiece of journalism done in that direction. As a compendium of up-to-date and therefore valuable information about Southern California it is not to be surpassed.

LETTERS TO THE TIMES.

Rely on Home Talent.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 7, 1897.—(To the Editor of The Times.) In a communication published in yesterday's Times attention was called to the desirability of such cases as having a topographical survey made of Griffith Park. Maj. Clark's suggestions were timely, if nothing more. There is one suggestion that some of our City Engineer, or others who live in this "neck of the woods." Yours truly, BURN BASSELL.

THE WEATHER

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles, Jan. 7.—At 5 o'clock a.m. the barometer registered 30.06; at 5 p.m., 30.04. Thermometer for the corresponding hours showed 55 deg. and 41 deg. Relative humidity, 5 a.m., 43 per cent.; 5 p.m., 43 per cent. Wind, 5 a.m., northeast, velocity 6 miles; 5 p.m., south, velocity 1 mile. Maximum temperature, 72 deg.; minimum temperature, 48 deg. Character of weather, clear.

Barometer reduced to sea level.

The Times

ALL ALONG THE LINE.

City Engineer Capps of San Diego appears to be a creature imbued with volatile habits of thought. His recent reports and interviews have necessitated such sudden changes of mental attitude, that his brain has slipped out of joint and he is obliged to perform the function of thinking by idly wagging his chin.

An elderly lady was committed to Highland on Wednesday last by a judge of the Superior Court of this county. The record kept by the clerk notes among the symptoms of her insanity, the astounding fact that the patient "becomes violent if maltreated." This is an advanced age, and the Christian spirit of non-resentment finds favor with many, but there are doubtless persons to be found who would object to being called insane, because, if cracked over the head with a club, or otherwise maltreated, they "became violent."

The Parkhurst slummers and the bank presidents do not agree in their opinions of Chief Glass. The slummers are after his scalp, because he permits sinners to encumber the earth, and the bank presidents endorse him because he prevents crime and catches criminals. True, he does not prevent all crime, because he is neither omniscient nor omnipotent, but he has made Los Angeles one of the most orderly cities of its size in the country, and his work is understood and appreciated by all reasonable citizens who do not expect the police to conduct religious revivals for the reformation of the sinful.

The hobos in the County Jail at Santa Ana have gone on a strike and refuse to work. Their sense of the moral proprieties must have revolted at their enforced degradation to the level of the honest workman, and they propose to abide by the cherished dictates of their hearts, even if the authorities seek to reduce them to obedience by the force of hunger and deprivation of personal liberty. They can be fortified in their faith by the knowledge that a convention of their walking delegates is now being entertained by the good people of Pasadena, and involuntarily feasted upon stolen chickens and other unguarded delicacies of the season.

The movement in favor of a new courthouse at San Bernardino has twice been defeated by popular vote, but those who favor a bond issue for that purpose have not yet lost courage and propose to once more agitate the matter. The opinion prevails that public sentiment has not reversed itself in this respect because the outlying districts are unwilling to tax themselves unnecessarily for the benefit of the county seat. If the bond issue is carried the only thing left for the farmers to do is to get a county office for life and move to town. If they cannot pay the taxes they should at least be willing to assist in the labor of disbursing them.

ALL KINDS OF SUITS.

TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF A MORIBUND NEWSPAPER.

"Friendly," "Unfriendly" and "Spiteful" Actions Against the "Herald"—Attachment Proceedings Begun on Account of an Unpaid Paper Bill.

The Herald Publishing Company, in addition to the "friendly" and "unfriendly" suits recently filed against it, now has what it terms "a spiteful suit" on its hands.

Blake, Moffatt & Towne, paper dealers, Wednesday afternoon sought to levy an attachment on the company's property, and for several hours the Sheriff Burr's men stood guard over the plant on East Fourth street while the managers did some lively hustling for bondsmen to release the attachment. The matter was finally fixed up satisfactorily to the paper house, and the Sheriff's keeper was withdrawn.

Blake, Moffatt & Towne's suit is to recover judgment for \$1300 alleged to be due for the paper on which the Herald has been printed for some time. The managers, when pressed for a settlement, set up the plea that the paper was rotten, and made a bluff at suing the Herald people to time, and the matter was temporarily adjusted before Sheriff Burr was regularly installed as editor-in-chief.

BLISH'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Real Estate Man Nearly Asphyxiated While in a Faint.

F. H. Blish, a real estate man who lives at No. 1341 Hill street, had a most singular experience yesterday morning which came near costing him his life.

Blish went into his office at No. 106 South Broadway, about 9 o'clock, and struck a match to light the gas stove. Just as he turned the gas on he was seized with a fainting spell, and fell forward with mouth and nostrils close to the scaping gas. He was rapidly being asphyxiated, when Judge Pieper discovered him and quickly got him into the fresh air.

The unconscious man was removed to the Receiving Hospital, and Police Surgeon Hogan went to work to resuscitate him. The physician labored for nearly two hours and was rewarded by having Blish open his eyes and speak. He was soon able to talk, but was very weak and sick.

An attempt was made to remove him to his home in the afternoon, but Blish was unable to stand the trip, and it was decided to keep him at the hospital over night.

JAIL-BREAKERS' PLOT.

SHERIFF SAYS THE PLAN OF McCARTHY'S ESCAPE WAS FEASIBLE.

Turkeye Mahone's Friends Suggest a Suit for Defamation—Mayne Acted the Part of a Friend to Mahone and Warned Him of Danger.

Excitement over the attempted jail-break by Burglar McCarthy, with the probable aid of an ex-prisoner and an unfaithful turkey, has not yet died out. It was a fruitful topic of conversation around the Courthouse yesterday. Sheriff Burr and Jailer Kennedy are generally congratulated on their timely discovery and frustration of the plot.

In reply to the question whether he considered the plan feasible and whether McCarthy could actually have effected his release if the plot had not been discovered, the Sheriff said in substance:

"I think there is not the least doubt that the plan would have been carried out successfully if we had not found out what was going on. While I do not wish to divulge the details, I have no hesitation in saying that the plan of escape was entirely feasible, and McCarthy could have gotten out at the top or bottom with the assistance of one man. The scheme was a very clever one, but after we dropped onto it, the first man to have stuck his head out at the proposed place of exit would surely have been killed. We were prepared for him and had a nice surprise in store for the conspirators, but after all it is perhaps better that the matter turned out as it did."

The Sheriff practically confirmed the statements made about "Alabama Charley," a negro Mahone, having given him the first intimation of the plot; also concerning the rope which Charley was to use in making his escape. He also tacitly admitted having received from Mathews keys and moulds of locks to the doors with McCarthy would have had to pass through. But when pressed for full details, the Sheriff said he thought it best to stick to the facts and not to disclose all the particulars.

He at first withheld information about the matter because of his wish to save his deputy, Mahone, from public disgrace; but not that the matter had been made public, despite all his precautions to the contrary, he had another reason for withholding details. As Mahone had set up the defense that there was a conspiracy against him, and friends of his had counselled him to demand an investigation and possibly to bring suit against the Sheriff for defamation of character, it might be well to keep the proofs of Mahone's implication in the plot secret until the time came to show it in court. The Sheriff, though, hardly expected such a course, but was justified in his action in accepting Mahone's resignation on the assumption of his guilt.

Clifton E. Mayne feels very much hurt over the intimation that Mahone tries to make it appear that he was in a conspiracy to harm Mahone in any way. Mayne avers, and Jailer Kennedy and all the rest of the jail officials bear him out in the statement, that he acted the part of a friend to Mahone and at the risk of losing his privileges as a trustee, warned Mahone that the Sheriff and Jailer were aware of his designs to let McCarthy out of jail. Mahone grew greatly excited as he was informed that the plot had been discovered, and exclaimed: "This means the penitentiary for me! What can I do to prevent it?"

Mayne advised him to resign and promised to intercede with the Sheriff and Jailer and ask them to excuse him.

Mahone obtained leave of absence from his post almost immediately after Mayne warned him, and went to consult with friends on the outside. Deputy Sheriff Fleming holding the keys in his absence. While Mahone was away he had done, and was reprimanded for it. Mayne, however, succeeded in getting a promise that Mahone would be allowed to resign quietly, and with the Jailer's permission sent a note to Mahone's home, asking him to come to the jail to square the matter up.

Upon his return, which was between 2 and 3 a.m., Mahone went to Jailer Kennedy's room, woke him up and asked what would be best for him to do. Mr. Kennedy advised him to resign and go away on some pretext, so that his absence from the jail could be explained without exciting suspicion. Mahone thereupon, wrote his resignation and gave it to the Jailer, who delivered it to the Sheriff in the morning.

Meantime Mahone consulted friends, who told him he made a mistake by resigning, as that might be construed as an admission of his guilt. They advised him to withdraw his resignation, but the Sheriff would not permit him to do so. The matter, however, promised to keep the reason of his resignation quiet, but the facts leaked out.

PERSONALS.

R. Blunker of New York is at the Hollenbeck.

P. R. Cornell of Chicago is a guest of the Hollenbeck.

H. G. Veeder of Pittsburgh, Pa., is at the Hollenbeck.

Asa Cole and wife of Santa Rosa are guests of the Nadeau.

Mrs. T. J. Heiser of Winslow, Ariz., is at the Hotel Ramona.

C. H. Phillips, Jr., of the Chino ranch, is at the Hollenbeck.

Harriette A. Willard of Holyoke, Mass., is a guest of the Westminster.

G. W. Dyche of San Francisco is in the city, a guest of Mayor Snyder.

Prof. Bernard Moses of the State University at Berkeley is at the Westminster.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Thompson of New York are guests of the Westminster.

S. L. Bernstein of Baltimore, Md., was an arrival at the Nadeau yesterday.

D. L. Lightner and Dr. T. W. Helm of Bakersfield are at the Hotel Ramona.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cummings of New York registered yesterday at the Nadeau.

Mrs. George Waple and Miss Waple of San Francisco are registered at the Nadeau.

O. N. Hall, a well-known insurance adjuster from San Francisco, is at the Hollenbeck.

L. Rowe and L. Rosenberg of Philadelphia are touring the country and are now at the Nadeau.

Edward B. Clapp of the State University at Berkeley registered at the Westminster yesterday.

D. B. Hine, a coffee-planter of San Salvador, is visiting his father at No. 3300 Figueroa street.

A number of guests of the Hotel Ramona enjoyed a trolley ride to Baldwin's ranch yesterday.

D. E. Kenyon, a manufacturer of Chicago, with his wife, registered at the Hollenbeck yesterday.

J. B. H. Guest and wife and John Hawks and wife of Chicago are quartered at the Hotel Ramona.

E. Baughman and wife, Ira Biltzard and Bert Baughman are recent arrivals from Cripple Creek at the Hollenbeck.

J. H. Carpenter of Yuma, A. Woods of Breckenridge of Tucson, are Arizona citizens who registered at the Hollenbeck yesterday.

A party from San Francisco, made up of C. B. Stone and wife, Miss Emily Stone, Arthur and Charles Stone, Mrs. A. Wiley, Miss Hazel Wiley and Miss Jennie Hobbs, are at the Westminster.

TROUBLES OF A MUSICIAN.

Goes to the Receiving Hospital for Repairs.

Jacob Gottschalk, German musician who lives on Commercial street, has more than his share of trouble. He plays in a band, but he will not do so again for a few days.

Last night he was playing, when a group of boys drew him into a fight. One of the youngsters smote him over the eye with a huge club and inflicted an ugly cut.

Gottschalk went to the Receiving Hospital and told his troubles to Nurse Acevedo, who took four stitches in the wound and sent him home.

He Acted Suspiciously.

George Smith was seen walking along Upper Main street yesterday by Officer Vignes. He had a package under his arm and was acting in a suspicious manner. Vignes found that the package was a pair of trousers, and he placed Smith under arrest and sent him to the City Jail pending an investigation as to his ownership of the garments.

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REAL ESTATE RECORD.

HOUSE AND LOT.

DEALERS REPORT A QUIET MARKET.

Statistics of Real Estate Transfers, Mortgages and Building for the Year.

OIL WELLS IN THE WEST.

AN EXTENSIVE JOB OF STREET GRADING.

Main-street Paving - Real Estate Brokers Moving Upstairs - United States Land Reform - Development Around Westlake.

The local real estate market has been comparatively quiet during the past week, but there is a steady and hopeful feeling among dealers in regard to the immediate future of the market. Some of the agents did a pretty good trade during the closing month of the year. One well-known firm reported sales to the amount of over \$100,000 in December. It would, however, not be wise for outsiders to rush in with the idea that such a business may be easily done in Los Angeles real estate. Where a broker makes several thousand dollars from commissions in one month he may, perhaps, have to wait several months before he earns more than expenses. In a general way, it may be said that the business of dealing in real estate is much overdone in Los Angeles. Of the 250 firms, more or less, engaged in selling real estate, it is doubtful whether more than 10 per cent. make a good living, and probably not more than half a dozen firms have a large income. Most of the agents look out their income from real estate sales by renting houses, insurance agencies and other outside branches of business.

WESTLAKE PARK.
The extensive street improvements that have been made in the Westlake Park region during the past year are beginning to have the natural result of attracting buyers who are looking for good home sites. Agents report an active demand for lots in the sections immediately surrounding the park. In the Wilshire tract, several lots have been sold since New Year's. Among recent purchasers are E. T. Earl of the Earl Fruit Company; J. Dibble of Minneapolis; and J. B. Rodgers of Detroit, who will at once commence the erection of fine residences on their lots. In the Nob Hill tract, north of the park, several substantial houses are now going up.

A BIG JOB OF GRADING.
Some very extensive street work, to be followed by the grading of the hills and filling up of hollows throughout the entire district, in accordance with a general plan, is now going on in that part of the city lying north of Seventh street and west of Pearl. Figueroa street and Beaudry avenue, running north and south, and Sixth and Fifth, Maryland, Fourth, Arnold and Third streets, running east and west, are included in the three contracts under which the work is being done. Jamish & March and P. J. McCormick are the contractors. Over two hundred

teams and probably twice that number of men are employed, and the work is progressing with marvelous rapidity. Figueroa street from Sixth to Third will be practically on a level and this necessitates a cut through the hill at Fourth street of fully fifty feet. The grading of the lots to correspond with the grade of the streets will be a big job, but the property, fortunately, is in the hands of a few wealthy and enterprising citizens, and it will be done at once, and in the most thorough manner. The real fight over the job has only just commenced, and the contractors will probably have to fight not only before the Council, but the courts, before they get their money. The amount involved is a very large one, the contract calling for \$150,000. Three protests have been filed with the City Clerk against accepting the street. The largest protest alleges as grounds for rejecting the contract that the street was not brought to a sub-grade of eight inches before the work of laying the concrete was commenced; that the rock used in the concrete was not of the size required by the specifications; that the concrete was not properly mixed; that the asphalt surface is in many places not being sunk at the corner of the street, but is level with the sidewalk two inches in thickness, as required by the specifications, in fact, in many places it was but one and a quarter inches below the sidewalk, and that it is not properly laid, not showing an even, uniform grade; that the gutters are from one to two inches less in width than required by the specifications; that the granite blocks are not properly grouted; that there are numerous breaks and defects in the curbing; that the work was not finally rolled and compressed after the completion of the work, and upon the further ground that the assessments on the respective lots are excessive and irregular in many respects.

OIL WELLS IN THE WEST.
Property-owners in the section north and east of Westlake, where so many fine residences have been erected during the past year, are alarmed at the prospect of the upward march of the derricks. Some months ago the oil men crossed Union avenue, and a well is now being sunk at the corner of Bonnie Brad street and Ocean View avenue, which is less than 2500 feet from Westlake Park. Property-owners in that section are organizing and will raise a fund for the purpose of opposing the further extension of the oil wells in that direction by all legitimate means.

The Times has been a persistent friend of the oil industry in Los Angeles since it first started, recognizing in it not only a valuable industry of itself, employing a large number of men, and distributing about a million dollars every year in the city, but also as giving a great impetus to the local manufacturing industry, by furnishing cheap fuel. There must, however, be reasonable restrictions to the carrying on and extension of such an industry in a large and flourishing city like Los Angeles. The section east of Union avenue, for a width of about a quarter of a mile, is now recognized as an

oil district, and no effort is likely to be made to restrict the boring of wells in that direction, nor is it likely that there will be any serious complaint against the eastward extension of the field past the Southern Pacific shops, and across the river, where there are few improvements of great value. In a westerly direction from Union avenue, however, it is different. Here some of the finest residences in the city have been erected, houses that cost all the way from \$10,000 to \$30,000. It is needless to say that the prospect of seeing this attractive section dotted over with greasy derricks would ruin it for residence purposes. It is not the derricks alone that are complained of, but the large open slum holes, filled with oil, which are not only unsightly, but absolutely dangerous. The Council should, in any case, take steps to provide for better protection of such holes, especially when, as is the case on Union avenue, they are placed close to a public school.

The objection to the spreading of the derricks west of Union avenue gains additional force from the great uncertainty as to whether oil in paying quantities can be found in that section of the city. Many express doubt whether drilling operations in that part of the city are likely to prove successful. Hitherto, all the wells that have been sunk there, including the Wilshire well which is bored to a great depth for the purpose of settling this very question, have struck water, and have been abandoned.

It is not plain how the City Council can prevent a man from exploiting his property for oil, or any other substance, in case he desires to do so. To declare the wells a nuisance is out of the question, as the present ordinance provides that the city shall not involve the entire oil field. Possibly the granting of permits to run engines might be denied in certain districts, in the same manner that the city establishes a fire limit, but in that case the drillers would probably make use of electricity.

MOVING UPSTAIRS.
During the past year a good many real estate men have moved from the ground floor into some of the upstairs offices, in the new business blocks, such as the Bradbury and Wilcox blocks. They find that in this manner they can obtain much better accommodations at a reduced price, and by devoting the difference in their rent to advertise they obtain even greater publicity than before.

UNITED STATES LAND REFORM.
The Helena Trades and Labor Council is endeavoring to secure a radical reform in the management of the public lands of Montana. It urges the adoption of a constitutional amendment, providing that none of the land belonging to the State shall be alienated; that all except non-agricultural timber shall be leased to actual settlers only, for its rental value, irrespective of improvements; and that the rents paid shall exempt the lessees from all other State and local property taxes. It proposes that the right to cut timber on State timber lands shall be sold, and that if such lands shall be found to contain minerals, permission shall be granted to work the mineral deposits in consideration of the payment of their rental value to the State, without taxation on the machinery, buildings or personal property of the workers. The Helena "Independent" indorses this scheme, of which it says: "The Helena Trades and Labor

Council is on the right track to insure the highest productive use and the earliest and largest returns from the public lands of this State. Under present depressed conditions of industry in this country there is but little prospect of getting any considerable returns from the sale of these lands for many years. But should the proposed amendment be adopted, the lands would be quickly settled, and with each new settler public revenue would begin to flow into the State treasury. As the settlers increase in number, the annual rent would be not only relatively, but absolutely increased; for the annual rental value of bare land increases in proportion to population and industrial growth, just as the selling value of bare land increases with the increase of population and industry; for the selling value of land is due to its capacity for bringing rent."

Commenting upon this movement, the San Francisco Examiner says: "The principle of the Helena proposition is thoroughly sound. There would have to be some modification in details—for instance, the exemption of the lessees of public lands from property taxes would have to be guarded, as long as the present general system of taxation remained in force, to prevent the evasion of the taxes on amounts of property altogether disproportionate to the value of the land leased—but the general idea is exactly right. The Examiner has often commented upon the folly of the national government in continuing to throw away its landed resources, even after the scenes at the opening of each successive Indian reservation have shown their value. It might just as well open the doors of the treasury vaults and invite the public lands as vigilantly as they now guard the public money—which, perhaps, is not saying very much."

MORTGAGES AND RELEASES.
The Investor publishes the following statement of mortgages and releases for the week ended, January 2, 1897: 299 transfers, aggregating..... \$119,044.10 84 transfers for nominal considerations.

73 mortgages on city property.....	\$102,890.34
33 mortgages on country property.....	\$6,908.97
43 releases of city property.....	\$85,722.50
20 releases of country property.....	18,855.00
	104,577.50

The figures for the month of December, together with those for the corresponding month of 1896, are as follows:

No. Dec. 1896.	No. Dec. 1895.
Transfers..... 4115	\$ 734,112
Mortgages..... 6,520	15,516,471
Releases..... 3,728	5,619,829

The following figures show the transfers, mortgages and releases for the years 1896 and 1895:

No. Amount.	No. Amount.
Transfers..... 41,115	\$ 734,112
Mortgages..... 65,200	155,164,711
Releases..... 37,278	56,198,829

This is not altogether so good a showing as might be wished. It will be noticed that there was a considerable decrease in the amount of transfers, a large increase in the amount of mortgages, and a noteworthy decrease in the amount of releases.

appearance of a large increase in the real estate market and reducing the apparent volume of mortgage indebtedness. These matters are all corrected before the figures are published in the Investor, and the returns given in these columns may therefore be relied upon as being as nearly correct as can be arrived at."

SAN FRANCISCO TRANSFERS.
The following table, showing the real estate transactions in San Francisco for the year 1896, is from advance sheets furnished by Thomas Magee & Sons of San Francisco:

	No.	Amount.
January.....	287	\$1,189,305
February.....	296	1,544,182
March.....	316	1,131,406
April.....	321	1,187,465
May.....	302	1,266,239
June.....	241	916,236
July.....	267	708,232
August.....	264	614,667
September.....	254	614,667
October.....	252	626,563
November.....	211	742,581
December.....	256	792,993
Totals.....	3557	\$11,545,331
Totals for 1895.....	3515	15,947,361
Totals for 1894.....	3494	14,227,660
Totals for 1893.....	4117	13,861,492

LOS ANGELES.
Los Angeles may well be proud of this comparison. As will be seen, the value of real estate transfers in Los Angeles county for the year was about \$2,000,000 greater than in San Francisco, while the number of sales were four times as large, showing that the work of home building is going on here far more rapidly than in the big city up north.

BUILDING.
The Builder and Contractor notes the following uncontracted new work: Plans are being prepared for Mr. Stinson for an eight-room residence, to be erected on Orchard avenue, near Twenty-eighth street, cost \$3500. Charles T. Howland is about to erect an eight-room residence on corner of Broadway and Hoover streets; cost \$2500.

Plans are being prepared for addition to the Christian Church, corner Eleventh and Hope streets; cost \$8000. During the month of December the Superintendent of Buildings issued 150 permits, amounting to \$136,932. The following table, from the Builder and Contractor, gives the building operations for 1896 by months, omitting alterations and repairs, removals, sheds and stables:

Months.	No. permits.	New Cost. bids.
January.....	160	\$22,581
February.....	187	204,398
March.....	225	286,500
April.....	214	227,174
May.....	235	309,754
June.....	192	151,206
July.....	200	214,451
August.....	214	209,267
September.....	162	183,583
October.....	191	166,446
November.....	149	127,359
December.....	151	136,932
Total.....	2550	\$1,622,251

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Dawson's Dermal Cream softens and beautifies the skin, prevents wrinkles and removes the worst pigmentation of the skin. Warranted. One jar is usually sufficient to remove the worst pigmentation of the skin. Prepared by DR. W. M. J. DAWSON, 360, South Broadway.

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TRADE SALE.

Our Chicago agents have consigned to us two carloads of furniture, comprising chamber and parlor suits, dressers, folding beds, beds, rugs, rockers, rattan and other chairs, together with a lot of miscellaneous goods. We will sell these to the trade at our rooms on Saturday, the 9th inst., by public auction at 10 a.m. sharp.

C. M. STEVENS & CO.

At Auction!

A consignment of Carriages, Phaetons, Buggies, Road Wagons, etc. RHOADES & REED will sell at auction, 400 S. Broadway, on Saturday, January 9, at 10 a.m. Two-seated Carriages, 1 Phaeton, 1 Heavy Wagon, 2 Road Wagons and 5 Top Buggies; also 3 sets Single and 1 set Double Harness, second-hand, 5 Lap Robes, 6 Horse Blankets and other goods consigned to us for sale. Now don't fail to attend, as sale is positive and without reserve.

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Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of The Los Angeles Lighting Company will be held at the company's office, No. 437 South Broadway, Los Angeles, Cal., on Wednesday, the 20th inst., at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing a board of five directors to serve for the ensuing year, and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, and also to transact such other business as may be presented for their consideration.
R. M. ADAMS, Secretary.

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LOCAL NEWS

PASADENA.

A PONY AND BICYCLE COLLIDE WITH DIRE RESULTS.

Pleasant Card Party at Altadena—A Negro Arrested for Keeping an Evil Resort—Tramps Annexing Fat Young Chickens.

PASADENA, Jan. 7.—(Regular Correspondence.) Roderick Burnham, the ten-year-old son of Fred Burnham, met with a painful accident this morning. The lad rides his pony at his home at Garvanza to Throop, where he is in attendance. As he has been accustomed for several years to horse-riding, he has not met with any accident heretofore. This morning, as he turned on Chestnut street, a complete collision occurred between the pony and a bicycle on the left leg below the knee, and a deep gash four inches long was the result of the collision. He was taken to a Dr. Huff's office, where the wound was sewed up, and the physician accompanied him to his home.

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PASADENA BREVITIES.
W. T. W. Curt, D.D.G.P. of Los Angeles, installed the officers of Pasadena Encampment, No. 84, I.O.O.F., last evening, as follows: E. Wickman, C. P.; A. B. Case, H.P.; R. H. Starrett, S.W.; J. S. Black, scribe; W. H. Kornat, treasurer; W. H. Dunn, J.W.; E. F. Kooper, I.S.; A. J. O'Connell, O.S.; C. Ward, first watch; Homer Black, second watch; C. V. Wickman, third watch; W. H. Davis, fourth watch; S. M. Cook, guard.

G. S. Gibbs, a local caterer, was the subject of an untoward attachment today, the Sheriff taking possession of his establishment, 2501 N. Main, and E. D. Ketchner are the principal creditors, the amount being \$300, but the outstanding bills are in the neighborhood of \$500 with assets valued at about \$200.

The Misses Fuller of Arroyo Drive entertained Wednesday night in honor of their cousin, Wesley Scott of Berkeley, who is their guest. Progressive euchre was played, and five tables were brought, and the night was in excellent condition. Dainty refreshments were served.

The tramps who have pitched their camp in the arroyo are living high. Florence Bunnell has been bereft of sixteen chickens, Mr. May of eight and Mr. Pierson of twenty, and it is believed that the fowls have been stolen by the tramps.

Andrew Mullen has just sold to R. I. Rogers, through the agency of Henry Finck, a hundred feet of frontage on Belfontaine avenue, the consideration being \$2500. Mr. Rogers will build a fine residence on his new purchase.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew McNally gave a most enjoyable card party at the beautiful Altadena home Wednesday evening in honor of the fifth anniversary of the wedding of their son-in-law, and daughter, Mrs. May of Berkeley.

The Los Angeles Daily Times, including the Sunday edition and all special editions, and Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly Magazine for one year for \$10. The retail price per year of the magazine is \$3.

Miss Elizabeth Harrison, the famous kindergarten and president of Mothers' Training School of Chicago, accompanied by Miss McMin, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Rosenbaum on Grand avenue.

Bessie Upham of North Pasadena avenue entertained a party of her young friends Wednesday night, games and refreshments making an entertaining program for the evening.

Today's arrivals at the Casa Grande include Mrs. M. L. Chapman and Mrs. Phoebe Bailey, Bradford, N.Y.; Mrs. Evans, wife and son, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hooper, of Media, Pa.

J. L. Messer and family, of Inlay, Mich., arrived Wednesday night, and will be the guests for the winter of H. J. Axford, No. 596 North Raymond avenue.

Recent arrivals at the Crown Villa include Miss Gould, of Santa Barbara, Lucy M. Holbrook, Worcester, Mass., and Mrs. E. G. Hadden, Milwaukee, Wis.

Pasadena is rid at last, of one shameful joint, that maintained by the Negro Jackson, which was an evil resort for people of both sexes.

The bank examiner has just finished looking into the affairs of the Union Savings Bank, and pronounces them to be in excellent condition.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Childs entertained at duplicate whist at their home on Arroyo Drive Wednesday night.

The meetings of the Shakespeare Club will hereafter be held on Saturdays at 2:30, instead of on Fridays at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Carpenter, and will spend the winter in Pasadena.

Miss Gertrude Sargent of the Hotel Green will give a dinner on Monday to twelve of her young friends.

Mrs. Z. F. May and daughter, of Salem, Or., are guests at the Miramonte.

Do not waste cast-off clothing. "Economy is the road to wealth." It also enables those already wealthy to help the needy. Save from moth and mold your old, partially-worn garments that can be made over into children's clothing, anything that is small the amount you have, or how badly worn, it will be useful to those who have no money to buy new.

McCament will give 10 per cent. of

all the sales made on Friday and Saturday to the Associated Charities of Pasadena.
E. L. Molone, 181 South Catalina avenue, Pasadena, has gained 22 pounds under Dr. Huff's new treatment.

REDLANDS.

The Joe Thammann Benefit a Complete Success.

REDLANDS, Jan. 7.—(Regular Correspondence.) The benefit to Joe Thammann Wednesday evening was exceedingly well patronized, resulting in adding several hundred dollars to the fund being raised for his relief. It will be remembered that he recently lost both arms by contact with electric wires. In addition to the door receipts subscriptions to the fund were made amounting to \$130.

The programme was exceedingly well rendered, the first part consisting of music by the best local vocalists and players. The second part consisted of negro minstrelsy, Messrs. Allen, Sterling, Sisson, Miller, Ellis, Richardson, Gernick, Feraud, Tyndall, Anderson, Alder, W. Medland, J. Medland, H. O. Smith and Drake participating.

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REDLANDS BREVITIES.
There was a series of runaways on Wednesday, among which was one by the Pioneer Lumber Company's team. It overturned a buggy in which was Mrs. Sandmark. That lady had a very narrow escape from severe injury.

H. S. Weaver died yesterday at the age of 40 years, of consumption.

SAN DIEGO COUNTY.

ALDERMAN SWEENEY DEFENDS BABCOCK AND THE DAM.

Two Important Decisions of the Supreme Court—Arrival of a Sloop Laden with Abalone Shells from Mexico—Wootter Released.

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 7.—(Regular Correspondence.) Alderman Henry Sweeney, U.S.A., retired, rushes into print to defend the Moreno dam of the proposed \$1,500,000 city water system, which City Engineer Capps has officially reported as being defective. Alderman Sweeney says he had a "personal" interview with the City Engineer in his office and propounded the following questions:

"Is the leak reported in the Moreno dam serious?"
"No, it is not."

"No, it is not. It will cost probably two or three thousand dollars to fix it right, but I want written guarantee from the company, or from Mr. Babcock, that it will be repaired."

Alderman Sweeney further denounces the idea of improper construction of the dam on the ground that it would be good sense for Mr. Babcock or his company to build a weak dam, adding: "I have never yet heard man, woman or child claim or assert that Mr. (Babcock) was an idiot."

IMPORTANT DECISION.
The Supreme Court in bank decided the case of R. A. Thomas vs. the Pacific Beach Company in favor of the defendant. The plaintiff tried to recover a considerable sum of money on a land deal, but the court holds that the action was not one upon the contract, but merely on an implied promise.

The second case of San Diego vs. T. J. Higgins was for the recovery of taxes assessed in 1887. It is decided that the city cannot postpone bringing suit indefinitely and compel the payment of back taxes at the rate of 10 per cent. of 2 per cent. interest per month.

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SAN DIEGO BREVITIES.
Lieutenant-Commander Sebel, U.S.N., has returned to the Hotel Florence from San Francisco, where he has just passed successfully the examination for the U.S.S. Thetis to the Gulf of Lower California on Saturday morning.

The examination of Sam Black, who confessed to the recent Night Watchman John Patterson in National City, on December 23, is being held before Justice Bryan today.

The Klauher & Levi Co., wholesale grocers, has been permitted by the court to change its name to the Klauher-Wangenheim Company.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Carpenter, Mrs. L. F. Selfridge, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baldwin, New York, have arrived at Coronado.

George Wootter, charged with murdering a man at Mr. and Mrs. Vollmer, has been discharged.

A. T. Roberts has been elected captain of the San Diego Wheelmen, succeeding F. W. Jackson.

Spreckels has chartered the ship City of Athens to bring coal here from New-Castle.

Helene has arrived from Mexico with abalone shells.

Arthur A. Morris has married Minnie Bostrom.

RANDSBURG GOLD FIELDS.
Reached via Santa Fe route. Leave Los Angeles 10:15 a.m.; arrive Randsburg 9:30 p.m.

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY.

THE "SPLITTING-REFORM" WAVE AGAIN IN EVIDENCE.

The City Council of Santa Barbara Favors the Adoption of an Ordinance to Prevent Promiscuous Expectoration—Municipal Business—Gov. Atkinson's Party.

SANTA BARBARA, Jan. 7.—(Regular Correspondence.) The City Council met this afternoon and several important questions came up for consideration. The report of the committee appointed to secure another contract with the Electric Light Company stated that a compromise had been effected with the company, and that a reduction in the expense was obtained, and at the same time an increase in the number of lights. The city will now have fifty-six arc lights and forty-two incandescent lights, at a monthly expense of \$600, or \$10 each for the larger lights and \$1 for the smaller. At present there are fifty-two arc lights and forty-two incandescent lights, for which the city has paid \$650. The report to be adopted, and a contract in line with these provisions will be drafted.

The city accepted a site for the re-creating reservoir, to cost \$1500 and to be five acres in extent. The land offered is the property of J. L. Barker, who asks \$1000 for two and one-half acres including a valuable right-of-way for pipe line and road to the proposed reservoir, and Mrs. Mollie Meyers, who offers adjoining land at \$200 per acre. A contract for continuing the water tunnel 500 feet was let to John Reseigh for \$7.50 per foot, he being the lowest bidder.

A "splitting" ordinance passed its first reading. It provides that no one shall expectorate on sidewalks, floors of street-cars or public buildings, also that no one shall throw banana or orange peels on the walks. The vote was three in favor, and a protest, the negative votes being cast by Councilmen Latsell and Welch.

Another bath-house scheme was sprung at the Council meeting. A Los Angeles company asking a lease of land at the beach, and some encouragement in getting the surroundings in order. The report was referred to the Committee on Streets and Plazas.

CURTAILING EXPENSES.
The Board of Supervisors follows the recommendations of the Grand Jury in revising the Indigent list. The county poor have been reduced to a considerable extent and a great deal of expense. Previous boards have used all possible care, but underserving applicants for aid have been secured money or groceries from the county. Yesterday afternoon the new board met and after discussing various cases, including the appointment of a committee to make a thorough investigation of all indigent cases, they decided to allow no more aid unless upon the certificate of the county physician, the Supervisors' president, or the board.

Striking a number of names from the list. Further action in this direction is contemplated, and while worthy cases for charity will be considered, it is apparently the intention of the board to pay out no more money to paupers who spend all they get in saloons, or to those who do not need assistance.

The board also repealed the gopher and squirrel scalp law, and will effect a saving of thousands of dollars per year on this one item alone.

Constables' claims for expenses have been critically examined, and the board have one or two orders that will affect the outcome of the case to some extent. One of the new rules will be that to all such claims, where constables have been paid out money for expenses while in the service of the county, must be attached receipts for all such expenses. Another order is that constables charging for expenses, making a uniform rate.

The board also adopted, today, a uniform rate of wages to be paid for such work as constables are required to do. One man, per hour, 20 cents; man and two-horse team, 30 cents; man and cart or horse team, 40 cents; man and six-horse team, per hour, 50 cents. The number of hours per day is at the option of the laborer or the foreman.

The District Attorney was empowered to employ a deputy in northern Santa Barbara county, at a salary of \$900 per annum.

RETURNING TO COLLEGE.
A large number of college students will go north on the Corona tomorrow night, returning to Berkeley, Stanford or Belmont.

The list includes Duncan McDuffie, C. R. Broughton, M. C. Kittredge, P. Orelli, G. R. Lehman, M. W. Brown, W. C. Jones, Thompson, L. F. Eaton, G. A. Bond, H. N. Cooper, H. Van Winkle, Miss Canfield, and Miss Owens. The sports was fast and furious for the town. Nine yellowtail, two bonita, a halibut and a cod were secured.

Altogether, there were twenty-three fish caught, weighing between four hundred and five hundred pounds, and some of the coarse bones remain to mark the place where once thrived a whale.

Judge Nathaniel French of Davenport, Iowa, an old friend of Frank J. Crank, left this morning, after spending the night at the hotel. Judge French took out a fishing party Wednesday in the yacht Victory. His guests were J. Crank, J. F. Crank, Chester Crank and Seth Owens. The sport was fast and furious for the town. Nine yellowtail, two bonita, a halibut and a cod were secured.

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REDONDO BREVITIES.
Mrs. Selby of New Orleans is among the guests of the hotel.

Miss Lillie Vosburgh of Los Angeles is quartered at the hotel.

An experimental wave motor is under construction about two miles north of the coast by A. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Venable gave a birthday party to their son, Walter F. Venable, on December 23, he having reached 21 years of age on that date.

A dozen friends and relatives were present.

Incandescent electric lighting has been introduced at the Congregational Church.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hamilton of Los Angeles are at the hotel for a few days.

The schooner La Glorinde, Capt. Smith, from Gray's Harbor, with 265-

administrator, against Frank Maguire, administrator, for possession of property on De la Guerra street.

Santa Barbara Lodge, No. 192, F. and A.M., will hold a special meeting tonight for work in the first degree.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY.

RENEWED TALK OF ISSUING BONDS FOR THE COURTHOUSE.

Wholesale Drummers Not Affected by the License Ordinance—May Be a Cut in City Salaries—San Bernardino Brevities.

SAN BERNARDINO, Jan. 7.—(Regular Correspondence.) There is once more talk of the issue of bonds for the new courthouse. It is estimated that it would require \$50,000 more to complete the fine structure and furnish it. Before the building was begun the question of issuing bonds was twice submitted to the people and both times the bonds failed to carry the county outside of the city. There seems to be no reason to believe the aversion to the issuance of bonds has disappeared, and a canvass made by the Times correspondent in other sections than this city leads to the belief that if the question of issuing bonds were submitted, that it would fail to carry the county.

DRUMMERS NOT AFFECTED.
Recently this city passed a high license ordinance for agents of Los Angeles retail houses who come in competition with local merchants. This has been misunderstood by a number of drummers, however, who think they are affected by the ordinance. This is an error. No license fee is exacted of drummers selling to local merchants, but simply a fee for carrying a retail.

TO CUT SALARIES.
The City Trustees are credited by the Sun with considering the advisability of making a number of cuts in salaries of officers. It is suggested that the salaries of City Attorney and Assessor be cut from \$1000 per year to \$600 or \$700. It is possible the treasurer's salary may be raised from \$600 to \$900.

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SAN BERNARDINO BREVITIES.
The Supervisors recently appropriated \$300 for a road to Virginia Dale, to be completed by the end of the year. The first amount was expected to complete the road.

The Gold Mountain mine near Bear Valley, to which a large force of men were recently sent, has again closed down. Lack of water is given as the reason.

The grand jury on Wednesday inspected the Highland Asylum and reported themselves well pleased with conditions as they found them.

REDONDO.
Two Big Whales in Evidence—A Fishery Begun.

REDONDO, Jan. 7.—(Regular Correspondence.) Two big whales were seen not far off shore this morning. They seemed to have come from the north along the coast and gradually moved to the south. J. M. Bracewell, the local expert, says he has seen a whale on them, but was unable to get a boat's crew together in time for it.

He has a gun which was used in the North in hunting walrus. As far as known, there have never been any whales caught and brought into Redondo, although quite a business in whaling used to be done years ago.

The whale caught by the schooner Guebe Bend. The old trawling-pots and some of the coarse bones remain to mark the place where once thrived a whale.

Judge Nathaniel French of Davenport, Iowa, an old friend of Frank J. Crank, left this morning, after spending the night at the hotel.

French took out a fishing party Wednesday in the yacht Victory. His guests were J. Crank, J. F. Crank, Chester Crank and Seth Owens. The sport was fast and furious for the town. Nine yellowtail, two bonita, a halibut and a cod were secured.

Altogether, there were twenty-three fish caught, weighing between four hundred and five hundred pounds, and some of the coarse bones remain to mark the place where once thrived a whale.

THE MIDWINTER TIMES.
The Midwinter Number of The Times has had a large sale. The people evidently appreciate the efforts of The Times to advertise the beauties and advantages of Southern California. There is no more effective way to spread abroad the fair name of "the land we live in" than to send copies of this magnificent edition to eastern friends and relatives. All copies for sale hereafter will contain a complete illustrated description of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses, which has been incorporated in the latest edition without any decrease in its size or increase in price. Wrapped copies, ready for mailing, may be obtained of The Times' local agent, for 10 cents, 2 for 25 cents, 6 for 50 cents, 12 for \$1. Regular postage is 3 cents per copy; if mailed by The Times, 1 cent per copy. Bring plainly-written lists of parties to whom you wish the paper sent, and the local office will address the papers without extra charge.

REDONDO BREVITIES.
Mrs. Selby of New Orleans is among the guests of the hotel.

Miss Lillie Vosburgh of Los Angeles is quartered at the hotel.

An experimental wave motor is under construction about two miles north of the coast by A. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Venable gave a birthday party to their son, Walter F. Venable, on December 23, he having reached 21 years of age on that date.

A dozen friends and relatives were present.

Incandescent electric lighting has been introduced at the Congregational Church.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hamilton of Los Angeles are at the hotel for a few days.

The schooner La Glorinde, Capt. Smith, from Gray's Harbor, with 265-

600 feet of lumber, is discharging at this port.

Sam Haskins of Los Angeles is at the hotel as the guest of H. B. Ainsworth, W. R. North and a group from a brief vacation spent in San Francisco.

M. T. Whitaker and family of Los Angeles have been at the hotel spending the holidays.

Miss Blanche Levele of Los Angeles is spending a few days at the hotel.

Charles L. Schieffelin, a veteran hotel man of Los Angeles, is resting at the hotel.

Mrs. R. D. Adams and Mrs. L. E. Eaton of Los Angeles are staying at the hotel.

Louis Unfelder of Los Angeles is at the hotel for an extended vacation.

Repairs to the northerly wharf progress steadily.

ORANGE COUNTY.

CO. L. CELEBRATES ITS SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY.

Capt. Finley Banquets the Company. Health Officer Takes a Hand in the Cow-Yard Problem—News Notes of General Interest.

SANTA ANA, Jan. 7.—(Regular Correspondence.) An event in the history of Co. L, Seventh Regiment, N.G.C., formerly Co. F, Ninth Regiment, of this city, was the celebration of its seventh anniversary Wednesday evening. The banquet that followed was given the company by Capt. S. H. Finley. Several hundred guests were in Army Hall in the early part of the evening to witness the public drill by the company, and the competitive drill that followed by eight members of the company for a silver medal. Corp. Abbey, the first lieutenant of Co. G, Seventh Regiment when mustered out, was the successful contestant. The young soldier was called out and Col. Berry presented him with the silver medal.

Just after Capt. Finley had called for the last toast, Corp. Dresser arose and called attention to the fact that he had a few words to say. In a short speech on behalf of the company, he presented the captain with a beautiful gold watch, chain and locket as a token of the esteem in which he is held among the members of the company.

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ORANGE COUNTY BREVITIES.
Sedgwick W. R. C. of Santa Ana has installed the following officers for the year 1897: Mrs. Alice Nash, president; Mrs. Emma Fall, J.V.P.; Mrs. Helen Kozie, treasurer; Mrs. Ollie Nash, chaplain; Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Corp. Mrs. Lydia Boyd, G.; Mrs. Sallie Barton, secretary; Mrs. Eugene Harwood, Asst.-Corp. Mrs. Alice Haywood, Asst. G. The installing officer was Mr. Julia Jones of Santa Ana.

Charles Sul, the Chinaman who was indicted by the grand jury for attempting to commit rape upon the person of a little five-year-old girl near Placita, and then had the indictment set aside by the Judge of the Superior Court, is again before the Court.

This time he is in Justice Freeman's court, charged with the same offense. He is held in the County Jail for \$1000 bail.

Deputy Sheriff Ulm returned Thursday from San Quintin, where he safely landed burglar Funk behind the prison bars for a term of eight years.

His way back from the north he was accompanied by Deputy Sheriff McClure of Los Angeles, who was bringing "Kid Thompson down to Los Angeles for a new trial.

It is estimated that the fully fifty tons of raisins have been shipped this season from the vicinity of Villa Park, this county, by one firm, and the greater part of the shipment has gone to Los Angeles and Chicago.

Mrs. Derby of Orange has received the sad news of the death of her father, D. R. Sperry, in Batavia, Ill. Mr. Sperry has been a prominent manufacturer in Illinois for the past forty years.

Newport Beach is shipping out about six thousand pounds of fish per week to Los Angeles and other Southern California cities. More halibut and smelt are being shipped now than any other kind.

The hobos in the County Jail have gone on a strike and have refused to work. In all probability their rations will be cut short until they experience a change of heart as well as mind.

The City Health Officer has taken a hand in the trouble that has been brewing about the cow yard in the southern portion of the city, used by J. N. Anderson.

A drainage pipe of considerable dimensions is being put in at the foot of Fourth street in Santa Ana, to carry the storm water under the railroad tracks.

Can't Eat
This is the complaint of thousands at this season. They have no appetite; food does not relish. They need the toning up of the stomach and digestive organs, which a course of Hood's Sarsaparilla will give them. It also purifies and enriches the blood, cures that distress after eating and internal misery only a dyspeptic can know, creates an appetite, overcomes that tired feeling and builds up and sustains the whole physical system. It so promptly and efficiently relieves dyspeptic symptoms and cures nervous headaches, that it seems to have almost "a magic touch."

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 25c.

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CITY BRIEFS.

The cruel Spaniards have again outraged the American people by slaughtering scores of true Cuban patriots, but that is nothing compared with the slaughtering of prices in socks and suspenders that the Parry Shirt Company (Kreiter & Marsh, No. 120 South Spring street, are doing today. All 25-cent socks, 12 cents a pair, in all shades and sizes, to get rid of at any price. See window display. Other twentieth-century values such as the suspenders are being sold for 25 cents, nothing like them ever sold for that money before. Hundreds of pairs sold yesterday, which is a good indication of the value given by Kreiter & Marsh, Parry Shirt Company, No. 120 South Spring.

It's time to go and look for what you need and ought to have in the line of hats, shirts, underwear, neckwear, hosiery, etc. There are big bargains this week at Desmond's, No. 141 South Spring street, in the Bryson Block. It's no clearing-out sale of a job lot of had-been and shop-worn odds and ends that it's a real sale of the best goods. The stock's made up of fresh goods, new as the year on January 3, and an elegant walking cane is given with every \$2 purchase.

Dean Eck of Denver, field secretary of Christian and Missionary Alliance, will preach Sunday, 10 a.m., in Druid Hall, Downey Block, Temple and Spring, 3 p.m., mass-meeting. First Congregational Church, Sixth and Hill, 7:30 p.m., in Y.M.C.A. auditorium, and conduct an all-night service in First Congregational Church, Monday, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m., and Tuesday, 10 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. See local.

Do you want a high-grade bicycle for less than regular agent can buy them from the factory? Then go to C. M. Stevens & Co., No. 435 South Spring street, Los Angeles.

Mrs. Braselmann's class in art needlework at Y.W.C.A., No. 107 North Spring street, resumes this afternoon, 2 to 5. Both beginners and advanced pupils received.

N. Treosti, real estate exchange, commission merchant and money to loan, rental agency, etc., No. 102 Market street, Bullard Block. Give me a call.

Your choice from forty-three different styles of walking canes given away with every \$2 purchase this week at Desmond's, No. 141 South Spring street.

Two more carloads of high-grade bicycles will be sold for one-third their value at No. 435 South Spring street, C. M. Stevens & Co.

All those who are in need of food and raiment will please call at Carl Savell's, No. 220 South Hill street.

Penn. anthracite coal (see size) just received by the Crescent Coal Company. Tel. 429.

The assembly of the Y.W.C.A. physical culture classes has been postponed to January 15.

Why pay high prices when you can get a \$5 wheel for 60 cents.

Marlborough School for Girls; second term opens February 1.

Van Storage Co. Tel. Main 1140.

The regular meeting of the Star and Crescent Literary Society will be held in the auditorium of the High School today, at 1:15 p.m.

John Sing was arrested on First street and locked up at the City Jail over night by Officer Romans, for selling lottery tickets.

Ah Lem and Ah Man, the two Mongolians arrested by Officer Romans for selling lottery tickets, were found guilty yesterday and will be sentenced today.

There are undelivered telegrams at the Western Union telegraph office for Perry J. Wilson, D. J. Sawyer, Miss Edna Espin Oden, William H. Kelly, A. J. McLachie.

In Los Angeles Theater next Sunday night, Evangelist Davenport will give an address on "The Second Coming of Christ," which he will present as the only solution for the troubles and sorrows of the world.

AGAIN IN THE TOILS.

"Captain" James Arrested for Disturbing of His Wife.

"Capt." J. F. James, editor of the Non-Partisan, was arrested yesterday on a misdemeanor warrant, which was issued by Asst. Dist. Atty. Williams, at the instance of Mrs. A. L. Dudnit of Los Angeles street.

The "captain" was arrested some days ago on the complaint of the Federal authorities, and since giving bail has hawked his paper on the street, much to the annoyance and embarrassment of women who were forced to listen to his language. Mrs. Dudnit was passing along the street the other day, when James pressed a copy of the Christmas number of the paper into her hands. Not knowing the character of the paper, she took it home and exhibited it to her husband. He was very angry, and insisted on his wife swearing out a complaint against James.

Mrs. Dudnit appeared before Asst. Dist. Atty. Williams and swore to a complaint, charging James with "printing, publishing, selling, distributing and keeping for sale, an obscene and indecent writing and paper, known and designated as the Non-Partisan, and bearing date of December 23, 1896, and also designated as the Non-Partisan Christmas number."

James was before Justice Owens, and gave bail in the sum of \$300 for his appearance today.

At the County Jail.

Arrivals at the County Jail yesterday included Martin Carroll and Joseph Brown from the City Jail, who have been held to answer for robbery; F. P. Miller and A. W. Lee, two dukes from Santa Monica, sentenced fifty and seventy-five days respectively for disturbing the peace; P. Hardley, from Los Nietos, for obtaining a bond by false pretenses; three vagrants from San Fernando; one from Pasadena and one from Pomona.

A Trio of Vagrants.

Special Officer McCauley of the Southern Pacific Company, yesterday morning arrested James Murphy, Frank James and Vernon Smith, for sleeping in box cars in the freight yard, and locked them up at police headquarters on a vagrancy charge.

THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PLACE

In California is San Diego and Coronado Beach.

TO SEE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

You must go around the Kite-shaped Track. Tickets permit stop-over at pleasure.

GOOD Samaritan Mission, No. 729 Upper Main street. Neat and comfortable night's lodging and hearty, wholesome meals, 5 cents each, for men. Freely given to worthy men out of means and work until they get wages. A golden opportunity for the charitable to make a little help go far in meeting pressing need. Cash needed for the charitable work, all sorts of clothing for single men and boys and for poor families. Men will be supplied for all kinds of labor, guaranteed to be trustworthy and competent, and for very moderate wages. Address Times office, or Capt. J. A. Fraser, No. 729 Upper Main street.

FOUND.—The only possible remedy for dandruff, itching scalp and falling hair. In Smith's Handruff Pomade. Never fails to give satisfaction. Price 50c, all druggists.

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ABSOLUTELY PURE

PORCH-CLIMBER AT WORK

RESIDENCE OF W. B. BEAMER ON GRAND AVENUE LOOTED.

Other Cases Reported to the Police. Officers Working Hard to Catch the Burglar—Chief Glass Gives Some Advice.

The porch-climber is at work in the city again, and is becoming bolder every day.

Several cases of his work were reported to the police yesterday. Among them was the burglary of the house of W. B. Beamer, superintendent of the Southern California Railroad, who lives at No. 2329 Grand avenue.

Some time during Wednesday night the bedroom on the second story of the residence, which has windows to a porch, was entered. Mrs. Beamer's gold watch and some other valuable jewelry were taken. The window was broken open, and the burglar had undoubtedly reached the porch by means of a ladder.

Two other cases were reported, but at each place the marauder was frightened away before he had succeeded in effecting an entrance.

Only a few weeks ago the residence of Capt. Hall on Adams street was entered by the porch route, and looted of considerable jewelry.

So far, the porch-climber has confined his operations to the southwestern portion of the city. It was in this section that there was such an epidemic of this sort of burglary a year and a half ago. At that time thirty burglaries were reported to the police, and the detectives made a diligent effort to capture the hold operator.

The curio cabinet in the detective's room at police headquarters still contains a peculiar watch-ladder, which was used at the time. Detective Hawley obtained it one night from a porch where it had been left by the climber, in his haste to escape.

The climber was never captured, and it would be a source of much satisfaction to the police if they could catch the present worker. To that end they are devoting much energy. Since the visitation Capt. Hall received that part of the City has been patrolled by detectives and officers in "plain clothes."

This guard has been maintained from dusk till daylight, and as many as twenty extra men have been on duty. Their efforts to catch the fellow have been unavailing.

The burglaries as a rule are committed during the dinner hour, and the burglar works only on the bedroom floor. It is believed that the one now at work does not carry his own ladder but depends on getting one at whatever house he singles out.

Chief Glass said last night: "Yes, there is a porch climber at work in the southwestern portion of the city, and it behooves the residents of that section to arm themselves with shotguns. Then if a man's head appears on the porch, fill it with buckshot and we will take great pleasure in sending the patrol wagon after the carcass."

Times Prize Awards.

Prizes won by competitors in The Times political guessing contest will be awarded and announced next Saturday evening at 8 o'clock, in the hall of the Southern California Music Company in the Bradbury building.

Dead at Lancaster.

Coroner Campbell received a somewhat indefinite message yesterday, which stated that a man had dropped dead at Lancaster. The Coroner left for that place to hold an inquest at 9 o'clock last evening.

Where Did He Get Them?

Tom Hart is held at police headquarters pending an investigation as to how he came into possession of a pair of boots. He was arrested by Officer Baker on Main street yesterday.

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You must go around the Kite-shaped track. Get descriptive matter Santa Fe office.

FOUND.—The only positive remedy for dandruff, itching scalp and falling hair is Smith's Handruff Pomade. Never fails to give satisfaction. Price 50c, all druggists.

WATCHES cleaned, set, main-spring, etc.; crystals, etc. Patton, No. 241 South Broadway.

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No Cure, No Pay. 25c a Bottle. All Medicines at Cut Rates.

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FOR Poland Rock Address

Water F. L. SMITH, 120 S. Broadway Tel. 24

THE ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS MEETING of the Los Angeles Lithographic Company will be held at its office, 701 E. First street, Los Angeles, California, on the 20th day of January, 1897, at 9 o'clock a.m., for the election of a board of directors, and such other business as may come before the meeting.

Society Election.

The German Ladies' Benevolent Society held its annual election on Wednesday, the 6th inst., at Turnverein Hall. The receipts for the year 1896 were \$1390.17; expenses, \$1242.25; balance, \$147.92. The following officers for the ensuing year were elected:

Mrs. Charles Brode, president; Mrs. J. Johannsen, vice-president; Mrs. H. Merg, treasurer; Mrs. W. F. Grosser, secretary; committee, Mrs. A. Adams, Mrs. L. Bremer, Mrs. A. Frese, Mrs. Aug. Boecklin, Mrs. J. Lang, Mrs. O. W. Cornelius, Mrs. H. Borchers, Mrs. H. Gieschen, Mrs. K. Messer, Mrs. F. Finer, Mrs. L. Gottschalk.

Licensed to Wed.

Levi Fickas, native of California, aged 22, resident of Poway, San Diego county, Cal., and Fannie A. Rich, native of Nevada, aged 21, resident of Los Angeles.

Richard McDonald, native of California, aged 40, and Martha Lee, native of Canada, aged 40; both residents of Los Angeles.

Willard J. Wade, aged 40, and Minnie L. Crawford, aged 27; both natives of Illinois and residents of Azusa.

DEATH RECORD.

WRIGHT.—In this city, Saturday, January 2, 1897, George Shirley Wright, aged 34 years, beloved brother of Purd B. Wright of St. Joseph, Mo.

Funeral from parlors of Orr & Hines, No. 641 South Broadway, at 2 o'clock p.m. today, January 8, 1897. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend. Interment Rosedale Cemetery.

At 2 and 7:30 p.m.

THE Special Event.....

TODAY AT 321 South Spring Street.

FREE! FREE!

\$25.00 Royal Japanese Vase.

Every Lady invited and every lady attending the daily sales at 2 and 7:30 p.m. prompt will receive free of charge a ticket to participate in the daily Free Distribution of three Elegant Presents.

You don't have to buy any goods—tickets given free to every lady.

\$30,000 worth of Japanese High Art and Antique Curios to be sold at AUCTION

Daily, at 2 and 7:30 p.m., commencing today,

321 S. Spring St.

PROF. HIGHGO

Japan's greatest artist will be at work in the show window.

Beyond a doubt the greatest stock ever opened in this city.

BEN O. RHOADES, Auctioneer

321 S. Spring St.; Opposite the Owl Drug Store.

LESS THAN 1/2 PRICE

A day of values such as was never before attempted, even in the cut-rate system of the Marvel.

Black or Colored Quills, 1c

Black or Colored Coques that were 35c; now, pair, 10c

Black Navy and White Agilettes were 35c; now, 15c

Black Dove Wings that were 35c; now for

Choice of any Chenille Braid in the house that formerly sold for 25c to 35c a yard; now for

Odds and Ends in Gray and Tan Dress Shapes, 15c

Choice of any English Felt Hat, Dress Shape or Turban, large and complete color line, 25c

MARVEL Cut Rate MILLINERY CO., 241-243 S. Broadway. Double Store.

The Storm Center of the Town's Trading.

The great sale of Men's and Women's Shoes at \$3.45 a pair, the wonderful Dress Goods Sale that started yesterday, the Grand Millinery movement all lend the utmost interest to the doings here, and today comes the first great sale of odds and ends and remnants that we have held in weeks. All the short lengths and odd lots made by the great Holiday Trading have been marked at half and sometimes third prices to close out in one day. It is a day of days in this store of stores.

Hair Dressing and Manicuring.

Tomorrow, Saturday, we shall open this new department. It will be in charge of competent and skilled people, and ladies may rely on getting the very finest service to be had in the city. All ladies are cordially invited to visit this new and important department.

Odds and Ends. Shoe Department.

Ladies' \$4.00 Dongola Button Shoes at \$1.00
Boys' \$2.00 Lace Shoes at \$1.00
Children's \$2.00 Button Ironclads at \$1.25
Ladies' \$3.00 Kid Button Shoes at \$1.50
Misses' \$2.00 Button Shoes at \$1.00
Ladies' \$1.00 Lace Bluchers at \$0.50

Remnants. Drapery Department.

Remnants of Silkoline at \$1.00
Remnants of Drapery Crepe at \$1.00
Remnants of Drapery Silk at \$1.00
Remnants of Drapery Denim at \$1.00
Remnants of Drapery Burlap at \$1.00
1/2 and 1/4 yard Carpet Remnants at \$1.00
Remnants of 1/2 Drapery Fringe at \$1.00
1/2 pairs 1/2 yard Lace Curtains at \$1.00
Odd pairs 1/2 yard Lace Curtains at \$1.00
Odd 1/2 yard Portiere Loops at \$1.00
6c to \$1.00 Portiere Loops at \$1.00
30c Fancy Head Rests at \$1.00

Odds and Ends. Bedding Department.

1 1/2 White Bed Spreads at \$1.00
1 1/2 White Bed Blankets at \$1.00
1 1/2 Bed Pillows, 3 pounds at \$1.00

Odds and Ends. Fans and Trimming.

Ladies' \$1.00 Silk Gause Fans at \$0.50
30c yard Silk Gause Trimming at \$0.50

Odds and Ends. Suit Department.

Ladies' \$7.50 Stylish Jackets at \$1.50
Children's \$3.50 Eldertown Coats at \$1.50
Ladies' \$7.50 Wool Suits at \$3.50
Ladies' \$6.00 Black Cheviot Jackets at \$3.00
Ladies' \$5.00 Contour Waists at \$2.50
Ladies' \$10.00 Melton Jackets at \$4.50

Odds and Ends. Veilings—Laces.

25c bunches of 3 Veils at \$1.00
10c Novelty Veils at \$1.00
Lace short lengths at half price.

Odds and Ends. Handkerchiefs, Etc.

1c Lawn Embroidered Handkerchiefs
Ladies' 10c Silk Handkerchiefs
1 1/2 to 2 yard 30c Ribbon Remnants at \$1.00
10c Color Bucking at \$1.00
10c Linen Stamped Boyies at \$1.00
Ladies' 10c Belts at \$1.00
Ladies' 30c Shopping Bags at \$1.00
10c Combination Purses at \$1.00
1c Colored Knitting Silk at \$1.00

Odds and Ends. Chinaware, Etc.

75c Covered Vegetable Dishes at \$1.00
50c Glass Fruit Bowls at \$1.00
10c China Celery Stands at \$1.00
25c Decorated Cake Plates at \$1.00
10c Covered Butter Dishes at \$1.00
10c Child's Cups and Saucers at \$1.00
Assorted China Fruit Saucers at \$1.00
1c Colored Knitting Silk at \$1.00

Greater Peoples Store

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They Are Yours for \$3.75.

Today and tomorrow we're going to offer you a most tempting chance at Boys' Clothing. We have picked 64 Double-Breasted Knee Pants Suits from our \$5.00 lines and marked 'em at \$3.75. All-wool cloth in neat brown and gray mixtures, little checks and nobby plaids, dressy enough for Sunday, and strong enough for the hardest kind of every-day wear. We'd like to have you see if you can find as good at \$5. On a special table by themselves. Easy to look at.

For the littler boys we've picked out 36 \$5 Reefer Suits to go at \$3.75; pretty cloths, handsomely trimmed with braid and nobbily made. Mind the standard of quality is not lowered—only the price—for today and tomorrow. Some cracker-jacks in Boys' Waists at 25c.

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Tailor-Made Suits to Order.

Our new department for making ladies' tailor-made suits to measure is now ready for business. None but the most highly skilled labor will be employed, and you can rely on getting a gown perfect in every detail. In anticipation of the opening of this department we have made large purchases of cloths suited to the tailor costume.

Remnants in Domestic Department.

5 yards 10c Outing Flannel for \$1.00
8 yards 10c Outing Flannel for \$1.00
8 yards 6c Outing Flannel for \$1.00
5 yards 6c Outing Flannel for \$1.00
2 1/2 yards 6c German Flannel for \$1.00
2 1/2 yards 6c Eldertown for \$1.00
2 1/2 yards 6c Plaid Flannel for \$1.00
4 yards 30c Dress Goods for \$1.00
8 yards 30c Canton Flannel for \$1.00
8 yards 20c Wrapper Flannel for \$1.00
5 yards 14c Bleached Sheet for \$1.00
5 yards 8 1/2 Bleached Sheet for \$1.00
4 yards 8 1/2 Bleached Sheet for \$1.00
10 yards Unbleached Muslin for \$1.00
8 yards Bleached Muslin for \$1.00

Odds and Ends. Glove Department.

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